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To John Chamberlayne Esq.r Middle Temple 24. De

at Pettyward.

Sir I rec.d y.r most acceptable
packet this Evening inclosing His Maj.ties most gracious
Answer to the Missionaries at Tranquebar and a
Copy there of by the favour of the Hon.ble W. de Robe=
-thon, for w.ch you are desired to give him the thanks
of the Society.

Y.r Letter came to my hands while y.e Society was
sitting just after they had unanimously chosen M.r De
Robethon a Brd. Member, and you are desired to
notifie the same to him in the best manner you
they can make for all his good offices to their designs.
You can inform him what good Comp.a he will join
and tho' he may be too much engag'd in affairs of y.e
highest importance to be able often to give his Comp.a
yet his name being inserted as a Member will give
a Lustre to their Subscription Role for his own as well
as the Society's Honour, and justice requires that he sh.d
have a share in directing, what he not only approves
but of his own good inclinations has already heartily
promoted.

I have herewith sent a Copy of the Standing Orders
of the Society that you may be able to satisfy him
in some matters relating to their constitution par=
-ticularly of the care that is taken to render it im=
=possible for any person to be of their Body who is
not intirely well affected to His Sacred Maj.ty King
George. I am S.r Y.r most Obed.t humble Serv.t

H. N.

To the Revd Mr. Rob: Layne
at Saltwood Kent

London 26. Dec. 1719

Revd Sr

According to yr. Desire the 26. of last month the Books above mentioned are sent to Mr. Layne near Aldersgate the money for which may be remitted at yr. Convenience to the Revd Mr. Thate our Treasurer. The Society have as much at heart as ever the promotion of the Design of Xtian Knowledg and hope their New Method of dispersing Books will be more servient to it beyond the former wherein the Neglect of their Correspondents not being considerd, or being impossible to be known the Society had frequent Complaints from their Correspondents that the annual packets were in a manner useless to them.

Your observations upon the Labour of the poor Xtians in your parts are undoubtedly very just, and for that reason are referd to a Comee of the Society to be deliberated upon when they consider of the letters on the same subject.

The Society take very kindly your advice in what relates to the better progress of their Designs, and hope for the continuance of them as occasion offers, by wch you oblige them as well as

Revd Sr Yrs. most humble

To the Revd Mr. Robt Watts
at Great Gidding Hunt.

London 26. Dec. 1719

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Your Letter of the 13. Curt did not come to my hands till the 17. and therefore it was impossible to send the Books above mentioned till the next return of the Carrier on the 24. Curt. You will please to consider that

that I did with great regret that M. Shute or I ever omit to comply with your Comands but the Messenger has now so much on his hands, that at the very time your Packet was dispatcht he had at least 20. more upon his hands one of w.ch comes to 40. 000 p.ds and perhaps every one of those worthy Correspondents are as impatient of being first serv'd as you can be

Beside s.r both the Messenger and I are daily employ'd in dispatching a Cargoe to the Missionaries for this year: Their last Acc.t to y.e K. was published in my Daily Courant, St James's & Whitehall Even: Post of this day seight: And the Day before yesterday I rec.d His Majesty's Gracious Answ.r to it the contents of w.ch may let you see when you come to Town.

The Society's Anniver. Meeting is agreed to be on Tuesday the 12 of next mo. in regard to M. of Lord. & Genl. of the Long Robe.

You enquire how the Society stock upon the New Regulat. spends, I hope upon better experience to be able to tell you that it is like the Widows Cruse of Oyl, and that they will be always rich enough to comply with the reasonable requests of their Corresponds

I wish you an happy new year & many of them, being

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Dear Sr

To the Hon.ble Gov.r Lane
at Port Mahon

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Mid.: Temple
28. Dec.r 1719.

Hon.d S.r

I was agreably surpriz'd at y.r sudden leaving the Town just as our Fleet was going off, in hopes by this time I might have congratulated you upon being in possession of Majorca, but what was not done by Arms will I hope be done by Treaty for very important reasons which you have given. long since.

I never think of y.r little kingdom but consider you as an instrum.t raisd up by Providence to be the means of abundance of good in those Parts, and tho' you could not accomplish all y.r desires when here, I hope you have laid such a foundation as will one day have a glorious Fabrick built upon it. I mean that the Sacred Scriptures may be read & heard read as commonly by the Subjects under y.r Govern.t as they are now in England. This would in a few years & our Divine Service

Spanish Popish Idolatry from you without persecution, & perhaps open a Door to drive it from y.r Neighbours.

The Treaty of Utrecht is now no longer a Bar, nor can we fear a Rupture with Spain by indulging a Protestant Freedom among the Papists at Minorca; and as for the Expence of printing the N. Testam.t &c.a in Spanish or Italian or both, let but a small part of y.r Sequestrd Ecclesiastical Revenues or other unappropriated fund be offerd as a Nest Egg to draw in Contributions, and I am perswaded you will not want encouragem.t from hence to perfect such an undertaking to y.r hearts desire.

The Society

the Society I'm sure would be glad to give
any assistance in their power to promote such a
work, nor would the A. Bp and Bishops upon a
proper application be wanting to do as becomes
them in such an affair: Nay I'm perswad-
-ed the king himself would as a true Defender
of the Faith do as much as could be desir'd of
him by Mr D. Carpenter & such steps as you
could wisely use of, to promote this matter.
Pray let me have yr. Comands herein as soon
as you can in whatever
to be laid before the Society, which
they have happily accomplished
of the Bible in Welsh which was in part
you came to England
your proposal though nothing could be more
agreable to their inclination or wishes
that the end you propose
Pray let me know the Names of yr. Clergy &
who of them are well disposd, and if you please
to recommend one of them to Correspond with
Society, I'm sure they would have a great
regard to any person you should recommend.
What English Schools have you? and what more
do you want? Have you proper Masters for yr.
and if not, what encouragement could a Man
have to go there that is qualify'd for such a
business. Students in Divinity could be exempted from
which has occasion'd the dispute
and I beg leave to assure you that I am with all possible respect, most
ardent wishes for yr. Prosperity.
yr. Grace's most obed. humble Servt
Henry Nev

If you can procure the whole Illuderia will grow with you and the Welsh
will within want Wealth nor Knowledge but in a few years
the King Dominions in improvement

To the L. A. Bp of Cant. at Lambeth.

Mid. Temple 4. Jan. 1719/20.

May it please yr. Grace

I have only wrote for certainties to lay before yr. Grace when I had the Honour of waiting upon you before coming the subject of my last attendance at Lambeth.

The Missionaries Letter to the King was read in the Daily Com. of last Saturday 14. night since wch I have rec'd His Maj.ties answer & herewith send it a Copy of the translation of it from High Dutch.

His Maj.ty has graciously permitted his Letter and the 2. Letters from ye Missionaries to be published by the Society wch shall be sent to yr. Grace when printed.

The Letter to Mr. Hales I gave yr. Grace a Copy has been communicated to My L. Sunderland & his Ldp does not object to the same proposal to be allowed annually to ye Missionaries, but says it can't be done till the close of the Session. which I'm sorry to say will be too late to be remitted to 'em by the Ships now going. By wch means one year will be lost. beggars must not be choosers the Society must be content to get it when they can, & therefore unless yr. Grace may think it proper to drop a word to hasten it. I recommend the dispatch of it.

I am My Lord yr. Grace most obed. humb. Servt.

I had last Saturday a Letter from Ireland advising yt Mr. Knight an Old merch.t at Dublin intends to remit to ye Society 50.l. for the Missionaries at Tranquebar & 30.l. for ye Schools at Fort St. George. The same Gent. sent us 20.l. a little above a year ago.

Mr. Hales has wrote to the Missionaries by the Ships now going to tell 'em that the Society cannot send them any Money this year.

To the Hon.ble Mid. Temple

W.m Bonet chevalier &c.

4. Jan.y 1719/20

Hon.d S.r I have been several times of late to
wait on you & last night particularly
& your other friends particularly at the prospect there is
of losing the happiness of y.r Comp.a for some
time at least, but I hope it is in order to return
again to the same a higher Character in y.e
British Court of w.ch all that know you must
acknowledge no Man is more worthy.

The Society at their last meeting in token of
their great obligations & respect to you unani-
mously chose you to be their Chairman for
January next, particularly at their anniversary
meeting on Tuesday the 12.th Curr.t at
St Dunstan Dunthorne, to dine together as
usual. If your attendance at the intermediate
meetings will be troublesome to you, any
Member will readily supply y.r place upon
the least intimation of it, by a line to

Hon.d S.r

&c.a most &c.a

H. N.

P. S.

I made out such an Acc.t
as you desired, and delivered M.r
Chamberlayne for you, and
if there be any thing wanting in my power
to make it more com-
pleat, I shall most readily obey y.r Comands.

When I have the honour to wait on you I would
take the liberty of suggesting something in behalf of
the Protestant Missionaries in the E. Indies w.ch you may
perhaps think will deserve y.r recommendation in y.e
Court of Prussia, where they will undoubtedly find as
much favour as they have in the British Court.

Es W. de Robethon

Mid. Temple
6. Jan. 1714/15.

Hon.d S.r I am oblig'd to give you the trouble ~~of~~ to requesting you would be pleased to signify by the Bearer whether His Maj.ty ~~does~~ has ~~signify'd condescended to~~ permitted his Gracious Lett.r of 23. Aug. 1711. to be published, ~~because~~ by the Society for promoting Christian Knowl. to the Missionaries, ~~that Society can't with decency~~ the granting of wch would be of great Service to the Mission, by exciting many Benefactors to it.

I am Hon.d S.r Y.r most obed.t humble Serv.t

My Lord

Middle Temple 9. Jan. 1714/15.

The Society for promoting Christian Knowledge, have agreed to have their Anniversary Meeting to dine together at St Dunstan's Coffeehouse in Fleet street, on Tuesday the 12. instant by 2. of the Clock in the afternoon; On which Occasion they will be glad to be Honoured with your Lordships ~~Lord~~ Licence. I am

My Lord

Y.r Lordships most obed.t humble Servant

To the Hon.ble Gov.r Collet
at Fort S.t George.

Mid. Temple. 16. Jan.y

By the D. of Cambridge Capt. Swall
Appd by y.e Com.rs y.e 19. Jan.y

Hon.d S.r My last was of the 6.th Jan.y 1718/19 by the Marlborough, & 16.th Feb.y by the Townsend in answer to yr. kind Lett.r of the 19.th of Sep.r 1717. I am now to acknowledge the receit of yr. favour of the 28.th of Aug.t 1718. which has been communicated to the Society, and I am order'd to signify their thanks to you for it, and for all the favours you have shewn in a most signal manner to the Missionaries at Tranquebar and the work they are engag'd in.

The Missionaries in their Letters to the Society have fully expressed how much they owe to yr. Patronage and Charity, nor have they been wanting even to let the King know the sense they have of their obligations to you as you will see in the Printed Copy of their last Letter to His Majt.y herewith sent.

The Society were not a little concern'd to understand that you had desir'd leave to quit of the Company here, to quit your Comand & come home, and that the same had been granted, but they promise themselves from your known good inclinations to favour the Mission that you will be pleas'd in the best manner to recommend it to your Successor the Hon.ble M.r Hastings, to whom I shall take the liberty of writing by these Ships.

I heartily wish you a safe return to Gr. Britain and assure you that I am with great respect

S.r Yr. most obed.t humble Servt.

W.m Jennings

Mr. Jennings will present you from Sr. with a Lett.r of Mr. Foster of w.ch they desire yr. acceptance.

I wrote also to the Gov.r & Council at Fort S.t George by the Marlbro' wch. I don't repeat hoping that Lett.r is come to hand.

I conclude Mr. Foster will write to you by those ships under his protection & Recommendation.

Ent.

To the Reverend 10 Mid. Temple
Mr. Long & Wendey 16. Jan. 1719/20.
Chaplains at Fort S.t George.

Duke of Cambridge.

Rev.d Sirs The last Letter I rec.d from M.r Long was dated 24.th Feb.y 1717/18 and answer'd the 20.th of last Feb.y by the Townsend which I hope he has receiv'd, together with the packet of the Society's books. directed to yr. good selves.

The Society were very much concern'd to hear of the misfortune that happen'd to the Vancitron among the Cape de verde Islands, particularly for the sake of M.r Wendey's person & interest on board; but they were not a little comforted when they understood that Providence had enabled him to proceed on his voyage to Fort S.t George and they will be more pleas'd to hear of his safe arrival at Fort S.t George

Ent. The yr. Province in the English Ch. at Fort S.t George fully

The Society persuade themselves that you will chearfully concurr with them in promoting any measures that may be thought practicable for gaining the Heathen in yr. parts to Christianity.

You have already overcome the difficulties that attend=ed the setting up an English Ch. School at Fort S.t George and the Signal Blessing that has accompany'd yr. Labours therein has encourag'd you to sett up a Portuguese School wherein the Hon.ble Gov.r & Council & other worthy Persons have not only readily given their Approbation but generously added their assistance, & carry on which they will undoubtedly continue while they see any prospect of success, and that Persons of yr. order take the care of wisely directing their Charity.

The Society cannot but hope that the Success of these

these beginnings may prompt you to ~~further~~ attempts on the Heathen themselves, wherein you may be assured of all the encouragement ~~and assistance~~ that ~~either~~ the Society can give you.

They have ~~already~~ recommended it to the Mission=aries at Tranquebar to give you any assistance in their power, ~~&c~~ by furnishing you with proper School=masters ~~& Catechists~~ from their Seminary, and the means of supporting such Schoolmasters ~~&~~ is left to your prudence to find out, by consulting Gov.r Hastings, and Mr. Jennings with other Patrons of the Mission, for which purpose what the Society have ~~lent~~ formerly paid, and ~~the~~ the 70 l. they now send is designd to be subservient as Mr. Jennings shall direct. This last remittance is in=dorsed appropriated to Fort St. David for a School for the Heathen there, but if that be found impracticable 'tis left to Mr. Jennings discretion to apply the Interest of it to Fort St. George or elsewhere on the Coast of Coromandel, and they hope hereafter ~~of the East India Company~~ to make remittances to either place as ~~they find~~ you shall encourage them.

Ent.

~~&~~ The Society ~~will~~ doubt not of the continuance of yr. good offices to the Missionaries at Tranquebar, who in their Letters every year applaud the great civilities they receive from the English, ~~and &~~ Testimony thereof you will see in the Printed Letters herewith sent.

~~You have the best wishes of the So~~ There is a Box of Books sent in the D. of Cambridge marked WI. N.o II. directed to Mr. Jennings for a further supply of such books as you may want for yr. Schools or Garrison at Fort St. George &c.a You have the best wishes of the Society for all Prosperity in all yr. Labours for the Glory of God, while I assure you I am

Rev.d Sr. Yr. most humble Servt

H. H.

To the Hon.ble
Will.m Jennings Esq.r
Gov.r of Fort S.t David.

Mad. Consult.
10.th Jan.r 1719/20.

Duke of Cambridge.

Hon.d S.r Since my several Letters ~~of the 4.th 9.th~~ ~~12.th by the Townsend & Vansittart~~ this time 12. month, I have your favour of (wch I don't repeat hoping that the former may go safe tho the latter was unfortunately cast away near the Isle of May) I have rec.d yr. favour of the 9.th of Sep.r 1718.

I have herewith sent a Copy of what I wrote by the Mary Capt.n Holden the 19.th of last month. I am now by order of the Society to send to you an Invoice of what is sent by the D. of Cambridge for the use of the Missionaries at Tranquebar wherein the Society request your wonted care & goodness, to give direction for conveying the several Parcels to them.

Ent.

The Society in regard to yr. being appointed Gov.r of Fort S.t David gladly embrace this opportunity of sending a Bagg of Silver cont. 252:13. val.d here at 70.l. for a foundation of a School for the Heathen at Fort S.t David, to be dispos'd of in the manner you shall think best for that purpose, but if a School there be found impracticable 'tis left to your discretion to apply the produce of it for encouraging a Malabarian or Gentu School at Fort S.t George or elsewhere on the Coast of Coromandel.

Not being able to get time enough to the India House with this Bagg to put it up in one of the Company's Chests 'tis put into Z 4 G. N.o 12. wch you may either take out at Fort S.t George, or receive back from Tranquebar as you shall find most convenient to dispose of it. There is a Label upon the Bagg

but if that should be worn off 'tis the least of
5. Baggs in the Chest, the other 45 Baggs cont. 3000 3. being for the Mis-
=sionaries and thase and are all seal'd with the
impression in the Margent.

The Chest marked WI. N.° II, contains a present of
Society's books to your Store for the Schools & other
occasions at Fort S.t George or Fort St. David in which there are five
Setts of Chronological Tables 3. of w.ch the Society
desire may be acceptable to Gov.r Collet, Gov.r Hastings
and your self, and the other 2. in Black frames
you are desir'd to convey as you have opportunity
to the Missionaries at Tranquebar.

In the Chest Z G N.° 2. for want of convenience
to send it otherwise there is a sett of the same
Tables bound up for the Publick Library at
Fort S.t George, and I have inscribed it, according
the Missionaries may know that 'tis to be sent
thither.

I have hereunto sent to you the original Receits for
these parcels, rather than to the Missionaries, because
the Goods will go first to you.

The Society have ordered me to repeat their thanks
to you for all y.r good offices to the Missionaries, but
particularly for y.r kindness in lending them Money
when they have been straitened for want of supplies
from Europe. If what is sent now go safe 'tis
hop'd they may be enabled to go on chearfully in
their work, & that no bod for fear of any miscarriage
it is all enjoin'd here, that no body may suffer by
advancing money to them on the Credit of what
they expect from Europe.

My Ld Sunderland who is 1.st Com.r of the
Royal Treasury

~~Royal~~ Treasury has given hopes of a Bounty from the King (according to what was mentioned in my last) towards the close of the Session of Parliam.t but w.=ever that may be, it will come too late to be sent this year.

There goes in this Ship an Answer from the King to the Missionaries Letter to His Maj.ty which without doubt is as Gracious as the former was, and must give them no small consolation, to find the King so far mindfull of them & their undertaking while the great Affairs of all Europe are the daily exercise of his Royal Mind.

Yr. Son Edwd is grown a little man since he had the Small Pox, and both he & yr. Daughter are now in the Country enjoying their health, and afford not a little pleasure to their Grandfather. I heartily wish you all manner of Prosperity & remain

Dear S.r Yr. most obliged humble Servt.

H. N.

To the Hon.ble
Gov.r Hastings
at Fort S.t George.

Mid.e Temple 10. Jan.y

Hon.d S.r

Duke of Camb.

The Society for Promoting Xtian Knowledge have been long informed of your favourable inclinations to the Protestant Missionaries on the Coast of Coromandel, and particularly of your readiness to encourage the setting up of a School at Cudulore while you commanded at Fort S.t David. I am now by their order to signify their thanks to you for all your favours to the Missionaries at that place, and their congratulation with you upon your advancement to the chief Command at Fort S.t George by which you are vested with more power to do them good as you are perswaded you will with pleasure exert, for the Glory of the Supream Being who hath in his providence put you into this Station.

Ent.

May you long enjoy it with as much real satisfaction and advantage to the Hon.ble East India Company as any of your Predecessors have done, and the wishes of the Society as well as

I am S.r
Your most obed.t
humble Serv.t
H. N.

P.S.
W.m Jennings will present to you from the Society a Sett of Chronological Tables of wch they desire your acceptance.

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A Monsieur Monsieur
Le Chevalier Lowther
au Caffè Anglois
Fauxbourg S.t Germain
A Paris.

Mid: Temple
18. Jan.r 1719/20.

Honored & D.r S.r

I cant let this month pass without sending my best wishes of a happy New year to you, which I am glad can be accompany'd with those of one of your best friends at the same time. I hope you rec.d long since my letters of the 24.th of Sep.r & 21.st of Oct.r last directed to you at Geneva acknowledging the Rec.t of y.r favours of the 11.th Sep.r And if my Enquiries fell in the way of y.r Travels to answer, I shall be glad at y.r leisure to have y.r thoughts thereon unless you intend shortly to return to Gr. Britain, where you will be heartily welcome to all y.r friends; Those of y.r Society particularly who enjoy very good health, and are always pleas'd to hear of yours: They had their Anniversary meeting the 12.th Curr.t and to dine togeither as usual, and the Com.rs for Proselytes have agreed to have theirs the 2.d Wednesday next month The Com.rs for Proselytes go on as usual and hope their endeavours are not ill bestow'd upon some of the Objects presented to 'em. If you can procure any Account of the Regulations by wch they of the Church of Rome manage their Proselytes it may be of good Service to direct us here. They have agreed to have their Anniversary meeting the 2.d Wednesday in next month for the sake of having the Company of such Gent. as are not like to be in Town the last day

last day of April, when it used to be; ~~and if so can by that Meeting favour me~~. The Marq. de Puente has been much indisposd, but is now pretty well recoverd, and I send this Letter to him to be forwarded in hopes he may cover it with a Letter to you.

My humble service to Mr. Boscher, and be assured I am Dear Sr.

Yr. most obed.
humble Servt.
H. N.

P. S.

They tell me you never talk of News in Ireland, however you will be glad to hear that affairs here very organically, and the great matter now before them is what to do in answer to a great number of Petitions from Weavers & Woollen Manufacturers agt. the Importers & Printers of Callicoes: A free Trade with Spain seems to be what will make all parties safe, and 'tis hop'd we are not far from a Peace that will introduce it.

To Benj: Everard Esq.
at Dublin

Lond. 20 Jan. 1719/20

Sr.

You oblige me by your Lre of the 2d. Curt. upon rec. of wch I went to Mr. Churchill as you desired & he readily undertook to convey the parcel to you for the excellent Society at Dublin, as had indeed been sooner sent, as I formerly sent a Packet, but that it has waited to be accompanyd with

with the little Books herewith sent, being a dozz. Copies for your Society's acceptance, & one Copy for W. Knight who formerly sent 20. for the Dest. Missions to the E. Indies and now as the Revd. W. Maule of Cork informs me - desires to remit 80. for the same purpose, pray let him know that the Society here desire him to accept their Thanks for his Generous Intention, & that whenever he pleases to remit his Benefaction to Henry Hoare Esq. in Fleet Str. care will be taken to remit it to the Indies as he proposes.

The Books being just out of the Press there was hardly time to dry them enough to be in a Condition to be packed up; If more of them may be acceptable, I hope by the next Opportunity to send them as you shall command

S. Yr. most humble servant

My humble service to W. Knight
Brigadr Deane & W. Ram

To W. Erwin Esqr. Merchr. at Fort St. George

Mid. Temple London.
18. Jan. 1719/20

S. Yr. kind Letter of the 10th Decr. 1710. came late to my hands and being communicated to the Society was very acceptable to them and I am particularly ordered to [illegible] their thanks to you for all yr. care in promoting the Schools at Fort St. George, and your many

many Good Offices to the Missionaries at Tran=
=quebar of wch they have fully informd the
Society, and the continuance of them will
very much oblige all the well wishers here
to their undertaking.

Mr. Stevenson being worthy at his living
since his return to England in the Country
Ent. we have not the happiness of consulting him
but by Letters; Pray therefore signify as par=
=ticularly as you can all difficulties attending
the setting up of a Malabarian or Gentue
School or Schools at Fort St. George & Fort
St. David & wherein the Society can be
any wise assisting to remove these
difficulties.

I beg yr. acceptance of the Printed
Letters herewith sent & assure you that

I am Sr. Yr. most humble Servt.

My humble Service to
W. Gee, to whom I
hope to write by this Ship.

H. N.

To Wm Jennings Esqr.
Gov. of Fort St. David
P. S. to the Un: Lett.

London 18. Jan. 1719/20.

Dear Sr.

This presents you with a Copy of the Society's last Circular Letter
to their Correspondents in Great Britain, & accompanies a Letter from Mr. good
Father, with printed Copies of some Letters lately published here on the subject of y.
Ent. Mission. What write particularly abt what goes in the Duke
of Cambridge in another Packet, to wch I refer you, being

Sr Yrs. most humble Serv.

To Mr. Zech: Lee Merch.
at Fort St. George

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Middle Temple
19. Janry 1719/20

Dear Sr.

The Society are always glad to hear of yr welfare and congratulate you on your recovery from the dangerous sickness with wch it pleased God to visit you on your arrival in India. You will see by this and the printed Letters herewith sent in good measure how it pleases God to smile on their undertakings The regulation within mentioned has occasioned the dispersing of more Books both in Number and value within these 3 months than had been for 12. months before.

Pray write to me particularly your thoughts concerning the Mission wherein the Society can assist further it more than they do. Yours

Dear Sr yor most humble Servt.

I am glad to send herewith a letter from your Wife, because I am not able (any other trouble) to tell you how your Family does. Mr Dolins Mr Fillard, Mr Chute, Mr Deacon Mr H. Hoare Mr Chamberlayne and all your Friends of ye Society are well and particularly salute you. S.P. Phelipps and Mr Cocken send their humble service to you. The Society's Corpse to the Missionaries gone in the Duke of Cambridge recommended to Mr Jeaning for fear of your not being at Fort St George

To the A. Bp of Cant.

Mid: Temple
23. Jan. 1719/20

My Lord

Jan. humbly to request Your Grace's assistance of

Letters herewith sent as a small acknowledgt of yr. Grace's favours to the E. Ind. Mission.

Don Emanuel of Miranda will be glad of the Honour of waiting on yr. Grace; I have taken the liberty to tell him that no body expects an invitation from yr. Grace to whom all Mankind have free access, If he has not a Letter of Introduction. yr. Grace will pardon me when for that purpose he is accompanied to Lambeth by

My Lord yr. Grace's
most obed. humble Servt
H. N.

To the Baroness de Gaminga

Mid: Temple
23. Jan. 1719/20

Madam

The Honour you did me of laying before their Royal Highnesses Copies of the Printed Letters from the Missionaries in the E. Indies, publish'd about a year since, emboldens me to request the same favours again with respect to those accompanying this, from

Madam

yr. most obliged humble Servant
H. Newman

N.B. Tis probable that this may be the last time I shall have any thing from this Mission to lay before their Roy. Highnesses

N.B. There was 9 Copies sent
2 To their Roy. Highnesses
1 To the Bed chamber in waiting
1 To the Lady in waiting.
1 To Baroness de Gaminga.
1 To Countess de Reybug.

To W. De Foe then 22

Mid: Temple
23. Jan: 1719/20

Howd Sr

Though I believe W. I am humbly to
pray yr acceptance of the You will please to
accept of the Printed Letters herewith sent from the
Missionaries in India herewith sent as a small
acknowledgmt of yr great favour to the E. Ind. Co.
in
passing. W. Chamberlayne will present His
Majty & the Court with Copies wch his hop'd may
also be acceptable. I am Sr. yr

His Majties Last Letter is gone
by the Duke of Cambridge.
Capt. Small Comands

To W. Woolley
at ye Ind. Ho.

Mid. Temple
26. Jan. 1719/20.

Sr. The Society have so great a Sense of
the favour of the Hors Directors of the E. Ind. Comp.
to the Protestant Mission at Tranquebar, that they are glad of any opportunity
to expose it in a manner that may give them the
satisfaction pleasure of seeing some fruits of their Charity
I am order'd to desire yr worps lay the Letters
herewith sent before the Court, as an Evidence
that their Charity has not been ill applied, and that
some good fruits attend their Piety
the Missionaries themselves desire to express
the sense they have of their obligations to the Benefactors in England in as
Publick a Manner as they can; and with this view
it is that the King by has been graciously pleased
to permit the publishing of those Letters which were addressed
to His Majty that his Subjects who have befriended contributed
to the

~~the Secrets of the Mission might~~ ~~have been known~~ ~~have~~

I have ~~the Satisfaction of sending~~ sent but 29. Copies in the Court presuming that the Supernumerary Copies are for yo. self & Mr. Treasurer Dubois.

I am
Sr.

If S.r Gregory Page be not of the Court this year pray let him have yo. Copy & I'll be answerable to you for another.

To the Rt. Revd. the Ld. Bp Norwich

Mid. Temp. 26. Jan. 1719/20

My Lord

In obedience to your Lordps Commands formerly signify'd I herewith send a Copy of some Lett.rs just published concerning the Mission to the E. Indies, knowing 4.m the Subject of them ~~will not~~ be less pleasing to your Lordp than they have been to the King who has graciously permitted the publication of them.

My Lord His Majesty has signify'd his Inclinations to favour the Mission with his Royal Bounty annually, & my Lord Sunderland has been pleas'd to give hopes of receiving such a Favour at the close of the Session, w.h I mention because I'm sure yo. Ld.p will not want a Disposition to cultivate those Inclinations, as opportunity may present, whereby the Society who are solicitous for the Prosperity of y.e Mission will esteem themselves greatly oblig'd, as they are already for yo. Ld.ps Noble Benefaction to y.e Mission.

I have the Honour ~~of~~ to be

My Lord

yo.r Ld.ps most Obed.t humble Serv.t

To the Rev.d

Middle Temple.

Messr.s Ziegenb.g & Grindle

20. Jan.y 1719/20.

Rev.d & Dear Sirs. I have herewith sent a Copy of what I wrote by the Mary Capt. Holden to wch I am now to add. That I have ~~desired to be~~ advised with some Stationers ~~about the means of improving~~ yr paper upon those specimens of Paper you sent over how it may be improv'd. ~~In order~~ And they tell me yr. Moulds are not good for wch reason the Society have sent over a pair of Moulds in the Chest No.2 They say also that the Wrinkles in the Paper are occasioned ~~by~~ the workman's carelessness in not laying it smooth when he takes it from the Felt, (or Flannel) for being afterwards squeez'd in the press those wrinkles are never to be got out again. They say also that the Colour of the Paper may be mended by choosing the best Raggs, & washing them clean before they are put into the Mortars to be beaten. ~~That they also~~ And that all paper to be wrote upon must be well siz'd (or gumm'd) but there is not that necessity for strong sizing of Printing Paper, because the harder it is, the more imperfect will be the Print. And that all those Sheets you sent over are too much siz'd for Printing Paper.

Ent.

If you would let me know with what Raggs you make yr. Paper whether Cotton or Linnen? Whether the Mill you ground them in be a Wind or Water Mill a Horse Mill or a Hand Mill? And how many Pounders are ~~kept~~ in the Machine with some description of it. you use? I might then be able perhaps

perhaps to get you some further instruction from hence; Whether a Machine might be made here ~~might not be~~ more fit for y.r use in respect to the Materials & workmanship of it? In all wch as the Hon.ble L.d Jo. readily give us the conveyance of ~~any~~ thing, ~~to~~ you ~~for the~~ so the Society will readily be at any charge ~~on this acco.t~~ to enable you to perfect y.r Paper Manufacture; but nothing can be done in it well till they are more fully instructed what it is you want.

You will receive by this Ship His Maj.ty most gracious Answer to y.r 2.d Letter, and the Society are still in hopes of obtaining an Annual Bounty to the Mission but as some forms are necessary to be observ'd in procuring such a Settlement in Parliam.t so the Treasury are too much engag'd at present to attend to the Solicitations made ~~to them~~ on that acco.t When you write again to His Maj.ty pray

Publish'd by the Court of the Univ.ty of Halle

send us a Copy of what you write, because ~~by the Charter~~ we ought to ~~are obliged to~~ give His Maj.ty a Letter without they know the contents of it and then also we shall ~~not have the trouble of~~ avoid the difficulty of getting a Copy to translate in order to be published as has been ~~had up in getting~~ done of those Letters sent. Be pleased also to send us a Copy of the Original of His Maj.ty's Letter now sent, w.th a translation in Latin if it be not too much trouble. Dying

I formerly requested a few Copies of the ~~Malab.~~ ~~Carith~~ N. Test. in Malabarick to be given to Princes, and extraordinary Benefactors to the Mission. Please to send my most hearty Salutations to ~~Give my love~~ one more ~~& beg leave to assure you~~ all their Relations & yr self & yr Pupils. Give my best wishes for y.r prosperity, being Reverend Ladies to Mr. Fleming Dear Sir Yr. most obed.t humble Serv.t

H. N.

* I have sent the original Letter in the Packet mentioned in the Invoice of what goes by Mr. D. of Cambridge, and particularly recommended all y.r affairs to his Care.

for the good Ladies & Gentlemen, and humble Servt to Messrs. Berlin, Schultz, Kistenmacher, with wch Adler.

Adler to enquire then in their Service of this Mission.

Adler is sent up in the Boat at 20. a small Boat containing 20. Pounds Sterling as a present to be equally divided between Messrs. Berlin & Fleming

There is sent up with the Society's Ship

Mid: Temple London
28. Jan.y 1719/20.

To the Rev.d
M.r Tomlinson
Chaplain at Bengall

Rev.d S.r Since M.r Brierciffe's Death the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge have had no Acco.t of the State of Christianity or Paganism in y.r parts, wherein they would be glad to be informd. ~~or they~~ you will see by the [illegible] 6. than Instructor. [illegible] Ent. what En- [illegible] ~~in your parts~~ ~~to inform upon~~, [illegible] ing any attempts [illegible] ianity ~~at Bengal~~ [illegible] at have been [illegible] ndeg. [illegible] olm Forster a [illegible] ar sine in y [illegible] him to your [illegible] tual Father to [illegible] wth an Inexperi= [illegible] him to imitate y [illegible] e be eager to [illegible] herein yr. good [illegible] obligation

~~6. Great Importance.~~ 3 6
~~so poor mans help &c.~~ 14 7
so Nicen Monitor. 10
so Pastoral Letter. 3
so Bevenedge on yr Common prayer
~~so Archbp Tillotson to the Lady Conway~~
~~so answer to y.r Letter for her coming to the Sacrament~~
so Bp Gibsons family devotions

7:	6
3:	6
3:	12
1:	9½
5:	0
5:	0
25:	2

Rev.d S.r Y.r most humble
Serv.t H.N.

To Will.m Fleming Esq.r at Lord S.t George

Mid. Temple 28. Jan.y

S.r

The Copies I sent to you t' other day of Printed Letters &c.a being scarce dry out of the Press, I have herewith sent 3. others

[illegible] Mr. Hartman of

10r. Except during the months of July, August, and September many of the Resident members being then commonly out of Town: But in Case any thing of Importance requiring dispatch shall happen during those months that then it shall be in the Power of the Standing Committee to Summon the members then in Town to a meeting of the Society to Consider, and proceed in the same.

5 0. 160r before four during the winter half year Beginning on the 1st Thursday in October

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Appr. Com.

the Wisdom of [illegible] ypn Briefs are liable all Men [illegible] found means to erect their Charitable Intentions, wch in consequence has last unavoidably defeated people's dispositions to contribute, and it seems the Instances of these Abuses have been so numerous & so notorious that the Reputation of Briefs is now so low that an Advocate

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Ent.

I am desired by the ~~Revd~~ Parents & Friends of W. John Forster a Youth that went hence abt. 2. Years since in y Company's Service to recommend him to your Patronage and advice, as a Spiritual Father to caution him agt. the Temptations, to wch an Unexperienc'd Youth ~~in a strange Country~~ is liable, & to exhort him to imitate y best Examples for Piety and Probity as he hopes to gain the favour of God & Men, wherein yr. good offices shall ever be esteemd as an obligation upon

Revd Sr. Yr. most humble
Servt. H. N.

To Will: Jennings Esqr at Lost St George

Mid: Temple 28. Jan: [illegible]

Sr The Copies I sent to yor l^t other day of Printed Letters &c^a being scarce dry [illegible]

For Mr Mayo at Mr Nicolas's a woollen draper at the Hare in Cornhill. the 20. welch Bibles are to be left when receiv'd of W. Basket.

W. Basket has no welsh Bibles but what are bound.

Approv'd Com: 2. F

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to [illegible] continuance [illegible] Parliam^t in guarding agst. the Abuses to the Wisdom of both King & Parliam^t yor Briefs are liable ill Men have found means to elude their Charitable Intentions, wch in consequence has unavoidably defeated their Dispositions to contribute, and it seems the Instances of these Abuses have been so numerous & so notorious that the Reputation of Briefs is now so low that an Advocate

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Servt. H.N.

To Will.m Jennings Esq.r at Lord S.t George

Mid. Temple 28. Jan.y

S.r

The Copies I sent to you t' other day of Printed Letters &c.a being scarce dry out of the Press, I have herewith sent 3. others for yr. self Gov.r Collet & Gov.r Hastings of wch I beg yr. & their acceptance ~~is desired by~~ from S.r Yr. most humble Sert

Sent.

H. N.

To the Rev.d W.m Burgh Esqr of Burton Agnes Yorksh.

Mid. Temple 2.d Feb.y 1719/20

Rev.d S.r

I rec.d yr. kind Letter of Oct.r last with the Mss. recommending the charity of Briefs, and contributing to laid the same before the Society who thereupon referr'd it to be perus'd according to their

Approv'd by Com: 2. Feb.y

Rules, wch require a Mtt. to be made but on the last Thursday of a Month & their Resolution ~~not to be read again as a printed Book~~ 2. Month, wch I mention as an apology for not writing to you sooner as you had reason to expect.

The Society having consider'd the several Reports of those Gent. to whom it was referr'd, they were of opinion that the pious design of the Author had a pious view in composing of it, and had deserv'd the thanks of every one who is at any time touch'd with a sense of Charity by the pathetick Representation of the miserable Objects that the Clergy are daily entertaining with not only recommending the Brief especially to the Clergy to exhort their Parishioners or Auditors on such occasion to be contribute liberally on such occasion. And that notwithstanding the Wisdom of both King & Parliam.t in granting ag.st the Abuses to wch Briefs are liable ill Men have found means to elude their Charitable Intention, wch in consequence has unavoidably defeated pious Dispositions to contribute, and it seems the Instances of these Abuses have been so numerous & so notorious that the Reputation of Briefs is now so low that an Advocate

advocate for them is heard very coldly, ~~if not rejected~~ but not only it is in some danger of being thought to Patronize the abuses of them this ~~if he be the farthest thing from~~ a field to ~~that~~ his design of doing it the reverse as much as possible.

Upon which considerations the Society have ~~ordered me~~ declined accepting yr. kind offer of being at the Charge of publishing an Edition for their use and have ordered me to signify their thanks to you for it, ~~as if they had accepted it~~ your charitable intention & labour in y Composure & charitable intention to the publick being nevertheless to be valued ~~though~~ by the Society.

I shall return yr. MSS to any person authorized by you to receive it, and shall ~~with pleasure~~ readily let you know of any occurrences in the proceedings of the Society wch I think may ~~be acceptable~~ give you pleasure.

The latest of ~~such~~ importance has been to send a Supply of Books, Paper, money & other necessaries to the Missionaries in the E. Indies, some accot. of whose Success you will see in the Letters lately published by y Society, wch will be presented to you by y first opportunity of sending any thing by the Carryer, & I doubt & perhaps I may send them by the Post if I can get them franked.

I sent you the Society's Circular Lett. the 3d. of Oct. last the Proposal in wch has met with so general an approbation from their Members both in Town & Country that more Books have been dispersed in 3. Months by it, than has been at any time in 6. Months before. ~~which the Soci~~

~~Mr. Boyston has declined~~ Mr Boyston continues to be very much afflicted with the Gout ~~& I have not had~~ he ~~has~~ not been out of his House for a long time but I suppose you ~~the pleasure of seeing him~~ hear from him oftener than

I. yr.

To Capt. Morris at Carlisle

London 13. Febry 1719/20.

Dear Sr.

According to your Desire the 2d. Janry the books mentioned on the other side are sent to you Carr: paid here: They are charg'd by the Societys Bookseller at ——— 2: 5: 9½

The 3. W. Bibles at price Coss 5/6. each 4h. } 1: 7: 6
If ye more ye Daughter had the Cypher will be accepted in part of payment } 1: 7: 6
of you

So there will remain Due to the Bookseller ——— 0: 18: 3½

The Packet was not indeed before I was aware of it for I intended to have given your Daughter notice I have sent any thing about the same time, but it has gone to the Carrier before I can the Books could be got together, and therefore I have got waited on her; The Care of dispatching a Cargo to the Protestant Missionaries in the East Indies [illegible] Society having of late very much engaged my Thoughts & taken up almost my whole time but I hope in a few Days to wait on her to know more particularly the point of [illegible] that you mt. dispose of, that if I can be anywise serviceable therein I may according to my earnest desires give you proofs of being

Dear Sr.

Yo. most humble Servt.

To the Reverend 30 London. 16. Febr. 1719/20

Mr. D'Ffray

Rev.d Sr.

Though yr. Letter of the 19th. of Decr. did not require an immediate Answer, I ought ere this to have endeavourd to open your concern ~~that you expressed~~ as if the Society by their New Regulation Signify'd in the last Circular Letter had ~~laid aside all notion~~ remov'd the Charity Schools from being any longer the Objects of their care, which is so far from being so, that the two first Paragraphs of the 2d. folio of the Circular Lett.r ~~is intirely taken out~~ things, ~~the right are~~ wholly taken up in recommending ~~and improvements~~ designing to be considered as necessary improvem.ts to obviate objections to that excellent Design which the Society have at heart as much as ever & hoping their New Regulation for distributing books will be subservient better accommodated to the wants of their Correspondents in promoting of more than the former. The Society by their new method are better enabled to accomodate themselves to the wants of their Correspond.ts than formerly, and the Experience of 3. or 4. months has fully answer'd their Expectation that they have in that time dispers'd more books in Number & value than in a whole year before, ~~considering this difference that they~~ and if you please to suggest wherein it may still be improv'd & made more advantageous entertained to the Charity Schools the Society will be very thankfull for yr. advice. As to the Annual Sermons & Sermons on particular occasions, the Society will continue to disperse them wherever they are sent for, & any of their Members according to the new method, several of their Correspond.ts having signify'd that the former promiscuous distribution of those Sermons they were so over stock'd that they became were afraid to see so much of the Society's Charity ~~made useless~~ in their hands and some even desired to have no more Charity Sermons sent to 'em, which with other considerations mentioned in the Circular Letter induced the Society to fall into the Method they are now in, and ~~as I said before they shall thank you for any Suggestion~~ if you please to suggest wherein it may

it may still be improved, & made more subservient to the Charity Schools the Society will be very thankfull for yr. Advice.

The Society's Messenger had direction to wait on Mr. Bray as you ordered, & to tell me that he paid yr. Subscription for a year ending at Michas last accordingly.

P. S. 20. Feb.y 1719/20
This letter was began ab.t date of it, but I was prevented finishing it till now.

To Mrs Forde
in Southampton Building

Mid. Temp. 16. Feb.y 1719/20

Madam You have a right to know what is done in the Society to whose gifts you are pleased to contribute, and therefore I desire your acceptance of a Copy of their Circular Letter wch has been sent to all their Members both in Town & Country by

Madam yr.

To S.r Theo. Lowther
at Paris

Mid. Temple
10. Feb.y 1719/20

Dear S.r I am very much obliged by your kind Letter of the 6.th Curt. N. S. and am glad to be assured I have your approbation. I have communicated to the Society that part of yrs wch I thought acceptable. S.r John Philipps, Mr. Dolins, Mr. Chamberlayne, S.r Bray & Mr. Hunter particularly desire me to send you their Salutes, in hopes of seeing you in May next. I am sorry to tell you that good Mrs Pool is in an ill State of health as the Landlord I believe more particularly will inform you, but Mrs Lowther and Miss your Sister. Since the Parliam.t have annexed above 30. Millions more to South Sea Stock the Stock in Change Alley has rose from 130. odd to 184: & 'tis supposed may in a short time raise to 200. This sudden rise has hurt many adventurers that buy at high differences & ruined others. But at the same time some have been great Losers who have been great Gainers; I yet hope Pray let me know more of the Proceed-

in Languedoc agt. the Protestants, and whether there be any restraint upon the French going to My D. Stairs's or the Dutch Ambassador's Chappels 'Tis past 11. Clock & therfore I can only add y^t I am Dr S.^r y.^r most humble Servt

My humble Service to W. Bothes. H. N.

To Wm Yate
at Wm Barker's near
the Barley market
in Glocester.

Mid. Temple. 20. Feby 1719/20

Madam A Fr.^d of mine who desires to be unknown, desires the above Sum of three pounds may be applyd as usual on Ashwednesday in Christ Church at Glocester, and that the Preacher may be desir'd to inform his Audience of the reason of the Relevation of Lent by the Church of England.

I am Madam y.^r most humble Servt
H. N.

For Danl Dolins Esqr
at Hackney

Mid. Temple
22. Feby 1719/20

Dear.^S I heartily condole with you & y.^r good Lady for the great loss it has pleas'd God to afflict you with in the death of your very hopefull Daughter but while we meditate that we are hasting after her and that it is infinitely for her advantage that she is remov'd from a sinfull to a Single State happy state, it seems very much owing to a selfish principle that we cannot without regret bear such a dispensation of Providence, that brought us all into the world without our privity & with mourning wisdom takes us hence by meerly by meering wisdom, & the shorter our Pilgrimage is in it, if it

If it be the pleasure of Heaven it shd be so, who
=ever knows this world with readily acknowledge it a
Blessing we cannot that will deserve the name of Mercy
we shall not gratefully acknowledge the goodness
the greater must our obligations be to the
great author of our Being for an early
discharge from a dangerous life that at best
is attended with a series of dangerous Temptations.
The same reason which
we could
the blessed Saints to whom she is gathered
upon, and if we can be so happy as to finish our course
her. for it will not be long before we shall meet
as the day dies it will not be long before we shall meet
the like congratulations, and with the same joy
One of the great pleasures of a good man reflecting
on Death is that it will unite him to those who
die in Christ never to be parted again
May this be our case with respect to your late
Dear Child is the ardent wish of
Dear Sr. Yr. most obliged
humble
My most humble service
to yr. Lady.
I write to Mr. Digney
in obedience to yr Command.

Mid. Temple London
London. 23d Feb. 1719/20.

To the Revd Dr. John Travers
at Dublin. [under cover
To Sr. John Rawdon Bart.
to be left at Mr. John Hyde's
Bookseller in Dame Street
Dublin.]

Dear Sr. Yr. Letters of the 20th
of June & 25th July last came to my hands long time
together with a Box of books
& having been communicated to the Society, were
Inquiry Sermons &c.
most acceptable to them, as they contain very agreea-
=ble accts of the Success of the Designs of
the Society at Dublin for Promoting Christian Knowledge
and the means by which they have resolved to pursue
their Designs. for which I am ordered in a particular manner
to desire

to desire you would be pleas'd to signify the thanks
of the Society here, and to let them, that according
to their desire signify'd by you, a packet of all
the other books dispers'd by the Society here, not sent
before, are now sent under cover to W. Gun Bookseller
at Dublin according to a list herewith
sent. Some of the books being out of print,
I was unwilling to forward it till it could be
made compleat, and after that, it waited to be
accompany'd with some letters lately published
here relating to the Designs of
the Society in favour of the Mission
to the E. Indies to wch the worthy W. Knight
with Dublin has been & continues to be a most liberal
Benefactor.

The Ships for the Coast of Coromandell in India where
the Protestant Missionaries reside, have been lately
dispatch'd thither, and I am glad to acq. you that
upwards of 1000. pound has been remitted this year by
the Society's order in money & Books &c. to
the Missionaries on acct. of the King of Denmark's
annal allow. & Benefactions from Germany with the intended help
Britain and Ireland. and all little endeavours for defray-
-ing this year expense the Missionaries are at and with in-
-defatigable application endeavour to be at for
propagating the Gospel among the Heathen.

The Success with it pleases God to give to this
Branch of their Designs increases their Solicitations y
it may not want support, and they are not without
hopes that his Sacred Majesty will settle a Royal
Annuity for this purpose.

As to the proceedings of the Society at home their
printed Circ. Letter herewith sent will inform you
particularly of their new regulation for dispersing books
wch

which has hitherto answered their expectations, but I shall be able hereafter when it has been longer try'd to let you know the event of it.

In the mean time the Society here congratulate the Society at Dublin on the effectual Expedient they have fallen upon for rendring the Holy Scriptures cheap & easie to be come at by the Poor which with the Charity Schools must in the compass of a few years go a great way towards that Ignorance which is the mean support of Popery in Ireland.

There is nothing can be more agreeable to the Society here than to concur with the Society at Dublin in promoting to the utmost of their power all their excellent Designs for the glory of God, which I have the honour to assure you of whilst I subscribe my self their and

Rev.d S.r Y.r most obed.t

humble Serv.t

H. N.

London. 29. Feb.y 1719/20

To Mr. Har. Denton

Rev.d S.r

The Money for y.r last packet viz.

8/9.d 1/2 was paid according to y.r letter of y.e 4.th Inst. As to what you propose. The Society have not yet allow'd the Liberty to any but Corresponding Members of desiring books to distribute among the Poor they are pretty well assured that such an Allowance might be attended with great benefit being evident that such an Allowance to one person might be a just

I hope Mr. Everard has made an apology for the delay of this.

a just handle to another to ~~ask~~ expect the like favour & where such an indulgence might end it is not easie to foresee, but if any Corresponding Member has a mind to ~~grant any~~ enable a charitable Neighbour ~~private charity~~ out of what he obtains ~~gets~~ from the Society to assist the Poor, the Society have never yet refus'd ~~signifying~~ such what~~ever~~ has been desir'd by ~~a correspond-~~ing Member according to the Regulation propos'd in their last Circular Letter, though their desires have extended to sometimes ~~they have desir'd~~ 15. or 20. pounds worth of Books.

Wherever therefore you please to give me directions for more Books, I doubt not of having the Society's ~~have given their~~ Treasurer & I ~~we~~ have a Standing Order to supply you as far as their Stock will admit ~~which I am glad to tell you is daily encreasing on our hands~~ far from being exhausted while it ~~decreases in the other~~ for carrying on their excell.t Designs.

I am

To Wm L.d Bp of Glocester

Mid. Temple
5. March. 1719/20

My Lord

~~I know~~ I should not presume to take the Liberty upon me to recommend ~~them~~ the Bearer Wm. Galpine to your L.dp consideration ~~favour~~ if I did not think him very sincere in his desires to conform to the Church of Engld, and worthy of a better ~~hand~~ than mine to recommend him

but

but the time being so short before the being at hand the next Ordi-
day, I could not but advise him to take the first
opportunity to pay his Duty to yr. L.p with those
Testimonials
Recommendations he has to lay before you, that
wherein they may be thought yr. L.p
they may be thought deficient, if the objections are
removeable they may be supply'd if practicable
in so short a time as one week.

He was educated at the Harvard College in
N. Engld and there took his degree of Batchelor
of Arts, of wch he might have had a Diploma if w.
and his he might have had ample certificates
if he could have procur'd thought they might have
been of any use, and to the best of my
remembrance the Presid.t of the College re-
commended him to me when he came over
about 4. years ago but I cannot
but I fear I can not be sure
whether I can recover the Letter.

I am fully perswaded the more
his Character is enquir'd into, the more it
will be agreable to yr. Lordship, expectation in
therefore, I have taken the liberty for a
Candidate for Holy Orders, & therefore I have
taken the liberty humbly to introduce
him with this to yr. Lordship, & am

My L.d Yr. Lordships

To Col. Richd Kane L.t Gov.r
of Port Mahon

P.S. to my Lett.r of Mid. Temple
28. Dec. 1719. 7. March. 1719/

L.d I wrote the above and sent it to Mr. Sherman's
Lodgings but he was gone an hour before it came to
wch I may now add that the Society desire yr. acceptance of
a Sett of Chronological Tables for yr. Pub. Library wch I will send
by the 1st. convenient opportunity. My L.d Carpenter & Dr. Emanuel
I believe

I believe have fully apprizd you of the complaint made to the Ho. of Com.ns by Don Jean de Bayarre and of their having rejected his Petition upon W. Cragg's representation in Your behalf: since which somebody has publishd yr. Answr. to the Memorial of the Marq. de Monteleon by way of answer to the Complaints wch Don Jean had printed; every body that I meet with, expres themselves fully satisfyd with that Answer as if it had been pointed to answer the complaints of Don Jean and you was by who their represented to be a very cruel an man, are now look'd on as a very honest English Gov.r that will neither impose not be imposd upon, but steadily pursues the Pub. Good, & makes those under his Govern.t happy & cosie in spite of all ye opposition given him by malignant Spirits. God continue you long a Blessing to that people & open their Eyes of the Ungrateful to see what is truly for their own Interest at last to consider in the ensuing with the same application viz.r to be intirely in the English Interest, and as fast as they can to become as good Protestants as their Gov.r I am

Dear S.r

Yr. most obed.t

humble Serv.t

H. N.

London 8. March 719/20

To the Rt. Wr. Edwd. Nicholson
at Rigo Irel.d
Rec.d Dear Sr.

I rec.d yr. obliging Lre of the 2.d Dec.r & according to yr. Desire delivrd to Mr. Granger the 300. Crooks above mentioned, who I understand has p. our Lrar for them 9.d 9 being ½ the prime Cost according to

to the Society Proposal in their last C.L.) and he has since sent them forward to Sel.d. I shall be glad to hear of their getting safe to your hands, and to receive any other Commands of the like kind.

The Society are very much pleas'd with your Sentiments and practice in the managem.t of their charity Schools and think it a singular Providence of God that disposed your Lot in such a part of Ireland as most wanted the prudence and Zeal of M.r Nicholson to accomplish w.ch he has done in favour of that useful Design

As to the Mission to the East Indies we daily expect fresh Accounts of the Progress of it, and I am glad to inform you y.t the Society have been enabled to send to the Missionaries by the last Fleet for India (just now sailed) above a 1000. pound in money Books and other necessarys, but then these Remittances include the King of Denmark's allowance of 500 Crowns & the Benefactions from Denmark Germany, Great Britain & Ireland for this purpose and all little enough considering the great charge they are at.

The Missionaries are so indefatigable in their Labours, and so prudent withall, that those who know their Deserts cannot help assisting them according to their Ability. and the King himself has graciously vouchsafed to give hopes of an annual allowance to be made to them out of the Privy Purse or otherwise and has wrote a second Letter to em by the Ships now gone to encourage them in their undertaking

The charitable M.r Knight of Dublin sent us 20 last year to the Mission and is now sending us 80 for the same use. I sent a few of the Letters lately printed. I sent a few of the 25 lately printed here concerning the Mission to the Hon.ble Society at Dublin, if you miss of seeing one of those Letters I hope to send you one by M.r Spranger Yo.r Son continues at Hampton & is I fear more a recluse than consists with the health both of his body & mind. I shall be very glad of any occasion to assure you how much I am Rev.d Sir &c.

To Dr Mangey 40 Mid: Temple
10. March. 1719/20

Rev.d S.r

~~The Bearer Mr Galpine~~ I was with the Bearer Mr Galpine
Yesterday to wait on you to ~~acquaint you~~ desire
you would be pleas'd to present ~~the Bearer Mr Galpine~~ him to
My Lord of London as a Candidate for Holy
Orders, but afterwards having the honour to
~~speak with~~ wait upon ~~you~~ his L.d at K. Ho. of
~~the~~ Bearer
Lords, ~~he~~ was order'd to attend this Morning
to be examin'd as to his Qualifications. ~~it shd fall to y.r Lot to know~~. Concerning
which, if it may be any recommendation of him
I can certify that he was educated at Harvard
College at Cambridge in N. Engld where having
taken his degree of Batchelor of Arts he
came over to England about 4 years since to pursue
~~those~~ studies ~~being~~ which might qualify him
for the Ministry, ~~and~~ among the Dissenters
but Providence has so ordered it that those Studies
have intirely convinced him that he ought to
conform to the establish'd Church, and at the
same time that he has officiated as a Preacher
among the Dissenters he has taken occasion to soften their
prejudices in order to gain them to the same sen-
-timents as he had of the Church of England
This I have learn'd from some of his Pulpit Dis-
-courses which ~~I desir'd him to let me see~~ at my
desire he has communicated to me and which for
matter and Style are worthy of being spoke in a better place than
~~as one would not expect to hear in~~ a Convan-
-ticle. I thought it not improper to say this of him that
you may be able to assure his L.p that his inclinations
to conformity

to constancy, ~~not sudden & transient but~~ the
result of a deliberate consideration, and ~~for the same~~
~~reason he has~~ for ~~a 12.~~ months past withstood ~~their~~
importunities to be ordained by the Presbyterians, be-
=cause he ~~could~~ could not according to the ~~rule~~
conviction of his own mind accept of orders
in that way.

~~I believe~~ upon this occasion, I can't omit observing
that next to outliving ~~the Dr~~ I mean out shining the
Dissenters in ~~Piety~~ acts of Piety & Virtue, the most effectual means
for weakening their Interest ~~in opposing the Establish~~
~~ment~~ is to gain ~~all~~ their good Genii & men of Sense
over to the Established Church. I am

Please to accept of the body
herewith sent for yt. self
& Dr. Athy to whom pray
give my humble Service.
Inclos'd 2. Copies of ye
several Letters relating to
ye Mission.

To the Revd. Mr. Fox at
Potterne Wilts.

London. 14. May. 1720.
[Sent by Wm. H. Hoare.]

Revd. Sr. It is with no small concern that to the
Society that they could not approve of the 3. Edit. of the
Duty of Publick Worship prov'd, tho' it seem'd and they
were pleas'd to understand by what you propos'd to them
& afterwards more fully to the Committee that you were
consent ~~disposed~~ to acquiesce in whatever decision they
should come to about it, and I would willingly hope from the
consideration of your great candor in receiving a future edition may be approved by
~~dated~~ to their use when the objections to it are
you ~~not to be expected~~ that I should give you a particu-
lar ~~Sentiment~~ account of every ~~thing~~ that was pleas'd at the debate ~~& how~~
~~and give direction how it~~ might be mended, because that might
~~thought invading~~ the ~~privileges~~ peculiar right of the Author,
but so ~~far~~ which I may ~~am allow'd~~ to signify to you, that several
Questions

~~if was the opinion of the great Majority that [illegible]~~
~~for it would be [illegible] to the Questions in it, were not proper for an~~
~~Institution~~ Instruction for Children, ~~or indeed~~ being above
their capacity, ~~and~~ foreign to the design of illustra=
=ting the Liturgy of the Establish'd Church, & tending
~~too much~~ to lead them into controversies, which
might beget ~~a settled~~ an implacable opinion of ~~the~~ other Protes=
=tant Churches. That when those ~~Questions & Answ.rs~~
are left out ~~the price of~~ it would be more usefull
& the price reduced to less than 4.d ~~each~~.
a Copy. Nor will the Publisher complain of any
loss on his part, if he has the printing of a New
Edit. with such alterations as may make it accep=
=table ~~to the Society~~.

You may easily guess at what would make
another Edit. acceptable by the opinion of two
Rev.d Divines to whose perusal it was referd
and who have out of their great respect to
& the general design of the book
you have prevail'd upon to communicate the most
material objections they had to it. ~~I shall~~
~~deliver it to you at the end of Bond Lane the~~
~~2. Copies with what you'll find their remarks, notes~~
~~and shall with pleasure receive & lay before the~~
~~Society yr. Sentiments concerning them being~~

Rev.d S.

When I can get from D.r Hayley a more particular Acco.t
~~if you desire~~ I will send it to you, ~~in order to which I have~~
~~by me an interleaved Copy~~ that to mark the verses being
one that he carefully made marks upon ~~& some Notes~~
~~& Comments~~ in a Coffeehouse with Copy I have in vain
sought, but when my Clerk who is gone into Hertfordshire
for Livery abt. 20. Miles off for his health has Lain or whether
he put it up under a Cover with y.r Copy ~~of~~ y.r Proposal
to the Committee I cant say, but as I remember he told me he
had done it. I have by me an interleav'd Copy for D.r Hayley
when I can prevail with him to look it over & give his Sen=
=timents.

To Messrs Tidgen & Grundler. Mid: Temple
at Tranquebar 15. March. 1719/20
Recd &c.

I wrote largely to you by the Mary, the Duke of Cambridge and the Derby that sail'd hence this Season, to which I may now add that the Company here having read Advice from the Danes at Tranquebar how they have given shelter & Liberty of Trade to an Interloper, they seem to resent it as to threaten to withdraw their assistance to the Mission as if it were in the power of the Missionaries to have refus'd admittance to those Traders, tho' it is very plain you had it given to it, and that whilst they cherish you in Spirituals, you destroy their Temporals. However I have endeavour'd to perswade them that it is a circumstance which you no way [illegible] concern'd in the apprehended ill effect it may have done to their Trade nor any power to obtain the Interlopers from trading with those that are [illegible] but I think this fit in matters of Concern, but and am order'd to acq. you upon the whole with it that as much as possible you may avoid any umbrage of being concern'd in what the Company have lay very much to heart, & seem resolv'd jointly with the Dutch & Danes to resent in what manner they will express those Resentments time will shew, but I have ventured in ye Names to assure one of the Directors who has done you many good Offices, that if you can't perswade the Interlopers to desist the Trade which they so much affect, you will divert [illegible] to their Interests, you can't do [illegible] to serve the Company

13. This Letter was agreed to by the Court of Directors but not sign'd till the 23 of March following.

This takes its 44 chance to find its way to you by Bombay the Company's Packet from Bombay to Fort St. George, all the Ships going further Eastward being gone hence. Give me leave to add what I omitted in my former Letter viz. to signify your thoughts whether the Malabarick Language might not be as well expressed in European Letters as the Malabarick Tygers? and as those educated under your care may in time be capable of diffusing the use of them, whether such a use of European Types would not very much facilitate yr. Labours & those who come after you? We see here Specimens of the Mogul & other Oriental Languages expressed in the Arabick & Persick Characters, and if the European were as generally known in the East why may not they serve to express the Oriental Languages as well as those more difficult Characters. Your Sentiments herein will be very acceptable to the Society who continue their most ardent desire, that yr. Endeavours may always be attended with the Divine Blessing, without which the most laborious Efforts will prove fruitless. The Parliament here being still very much engaged in debating on publick Affairs there has been no opportunity since my last of pressing the Ministry who are

the

the dispensers of ~~the King's~~ Bounty to take any resolution upon what I sign^z signify'd concerning His Maj^{ties} gracious inclinations to assist you.

God Almighty dispose the hearts of those who have power in the world, to dedicate some part of that power wch they derive from him to the enlargem^t of the kingdom of our dear Saviour by ye Ministry in the furtherance of wch nothing will be wanting that is in the power of the Society. I am

Revd Sir

To the R^t Rev^d the
L^d B^p of Sodor & Man

Mid. Temp. 15 Mar. 1719/20

My Lord

I sent to your L^dsh^p's Chaplain here & for last year and fear I omitted herein to request your L^dsh^p's advice whether 2 or 3 more or less Proselytes from hence of Rome, who having been bred Scholars here or being advanced in years, cannot be placed here out to trade, might be entertained in the Plantations & such a Number might be boarded for at the rate of many one & another remittences for their subsistence wch may be gradually made hence yearly or quarterly by the Soc^y for providing for them wch being left to dispose of them where their Conduct might be under the inspection of such as your L^dsh^p appoint, they will at the same time be in a way of instruction wch they very much want & be out of the way of Popish acquaintance wch they too easily meet with here. I am my Ld Your most obed^t

Please to accept the Books herewithin sent.

Seal 2. the Impression of the Society's Seal

To the A. Bp of Cant. 46 Mid: Temple
at Lambeth 23. March. 1719/20.

My Lord

It is with great concern I inform
yr. Grace that the ill
the 10th of Feb. 17[illegible] and
to the general grief of all Protestants both of the English
& Danish Nation in those parts; being sensible that he could
not live long he took a solemn leave of the
the 24th of Feb. This is a great Blow to the Mission
and would have sunk the hopes of the well wishers to
the Mission there, if they had not been soon after
reviv'd with the safe arrival of the 3. Candidates for
the Service of the Mission sent hence a little before
he dy'd, which they could not help reflecting on as a
gracious Instance of that good Providence which
superintends all things. I have only yet
hasty Letter in High Dutch, telling me of more
particular Advices soon to follow when they come
to hand, they shall be laid before yr. Grace.
He has sent me a few Copies of yr. Grace's kind Letter
to the Missionaries which they have got printed
for the consolation of their friends
W. Grape may be glad to accept the last of Mr. Ziegenbalg's
have likewise sent, one for yr. Grace's acceptance

from My Lord
yr. Grace's most obed.t humble
Serv.t H.N.

To the Rev.d Mr. Wm Rayner
at Tiverton Devon.

London. 29. March. 1720.

Rev.d Sr. I recd yr. Letter of the 12.th Curr.t
signd also by the Rev.d Mr. Vyvyan & Mr. Newte, and the next
day after it came to hand laid it before the Society who
immediately referred it to be made by a Committee for
a fit person to be recommended to the worthy
worthy

~~Worthy~~ ~~Charitable~~ Promoters of your Charity School ~~have~~ ~~Wants~~ to succeed Mr. Marsham ^ and of several that have been presented ~~they have agreed~~ Mr. Tho. Adams stands the fairest ^ on account of his many good Qualities ~~to be recommended to you~~, but he ~~has the misfortune of~~ having a dwelling on one side of his neck occasion'd by the report of a Scrophulous tumour, ~~which~~ they have obtained a consultation of several Eminent Physicians & Surgeons upon his case, whether it might be an objection to his undertaking the charge of a Charity School, and they have ~~unanimously~~ agreed that the Country Air with the use of such internal Medicines as they would prescribe ~~would~~ with the Blessing of God ~~cure him both~~ effect the removal of his indisposition without hindering his taking care of a School. However ~~the Society have thought it~~ decent to acq^t you with this circumstance of Mr. Adams before the Society recommend him to you, and therefore I am directed to signify this to those worthy persons who have ~~made the~~ applyd to the Society, that on this occasion, that if this circumstance should be thought disagreable or ~~unfit~~ making him unacceptable to them the Society will thereupon use their best endeavours to procure a person free from any such objection

Pray give my humble Service to the Rev. Mr. Vyvyan & Mr. Hervey & be assured that I am

Revd Sir Yr

I thank you for your Portraict
&c. boarding of Proselytes and shall
acq^t the Com^rs for directing that Charity relieving Proselytes
with it at their next meeting.

To John Chamberlayne Esq.
at Petty France.

Mid. Temple. 2. April. 1720.

S.r A Proposal has been lately made to the Society for printing the N. Testam.t in Arabick according to the version extant in the Polyglott Bible as an undertaking that would be of great service to Religion in Judea Palestine Syria & other Eastern Countries, and wherever Arabick is even in ~~some parts of~~ Africa. ~~where Arabick is study'd.~~ But But before they can engage in a work of this importance, they would be glad to have the opinion of those who have lived in those parts concerning it, ~~particularly~~ the usefulness of such an undertaking, and whether the Turkish Government would permit the N. Testam.t to be dispersed in their Empire though it were only among those who already profess Christianity. Whether the generality of those who speak Arabick can read it, if the Sacred Book were put into their hands; And ~~in what Channel~~ if the undertaking be advisable in what Channel the books had best be conveyed.

S.r Jos.h Sutton is able to advise in all these things and if you can by yourself or friends ~~that be intent~~ ~~can find a~~ obtain his thoughts hereon ~~you will~~ before he ~~leaves the kingdom~~ sets out for Rome you would very much oblige the Society. I am

S.r Y.r &c.

To My L.d A. B.p of Cant.
at Lambeth

14. April. 1720.

My Lord

The enclosed Letter is Copy of a ~~to~~ on a very important Subject W.m Hastings a Member of the Society, which is referd to a Committee the consideration of who would be glad to have y.r Grace's opinion thereon and what ~~steps are~~ shall immediately be done ~~taken~~ therein ~~that~~ be communicated by y.r Grace

My Lord &c.

To the Revd Mr Wm Rayner London 14 April 172
at Tiverton.

Reverend Sr I red yr Letter of the 5th Curt
& this day read it left to the Society upon which
they referr'd the consideration of a proper Person
to be recommended to the Trustees of Tiverton Schl at
Mr Adams's health not being sufficiently established for
requiring a great application
have agreed to recommend Mr James Harbottle
for a Master of their School, as a person they have
good reason to hope will always recommend himself
by his ability & integrity in discharging the
Trust. He desires himself to wait on the Trustees
convenient way of travelling after the Holidays of
wch you will have notice by the Post, from

Sr Yr most humble Servt
H. N.

Mr Harbottle is abt 27. years
of age has a wife but no Child.

Sr John Philipps being at the Society when yr Letter was
read, he made an honourable mention of you from
his remembrance of you in Westmin. School.

the person mention'd in yr Postscript is not the
person formerly taken notice of by the Society.

To the Revd Mr D. Saunders
at Bletchley Worcestersh.

Mid: Temple
19 April 1720.

Revd & Dear Sr

This day laid your Kind Letter of the 9.
Curt before a Committee of the Board for Proselytes to whom it was
referr'd to take care of Mons. de Fresne, and they thankfully
accept

accept of yr. kind offer of entertaining him for 3. or 4. Months at the rate of 15 ℔ ann. He is about 28. years old, little in Stature, but of an ingenious mind well cultivated with useful knowledge, and w.ch will make him amiable to you if he has a Zeal for the search of truth that will carry him thro all Difficulties, and this by the assistance of the grace of God has induced him deliberately to renounce the Errors of the church of Rome. I have had but little conversation with him but the little I have had makes me desire more of it. He seems to be of a tender Constitution and yet has had the Courage to venture thro several strange Countries to get to England where he might safely profess what he really believ'd to be true: and cheerfully forsook his mother and Friends at Paris with the Grant of a Reversion at Lyons from M.r Fr. K. of w.ch you will know more from himself.

That no time might be lost in improving him in English he is to set out hence next Monday in y.e Worcester Coach in hopes to be settled in yr. Family before you take y.r Journey.

S.r D. L. & M.rs Hastings return their humble Service to you, and were with others of your Friends here very glad to hear of your being recovered from y.r great Indisposition. May that Blessing of w.ch you make so good a use, continue to you till you are even weary weary of life here is the earnest wish of Dear Sr

Yr humble & faithfull Servt

To the Revd. Dr. Prideaux
Dean of Norwich

Mid. Temple
22. April. 1720.

Revd. Sr. I am orderd by the Society for Promoting Christian knowledge to send you a Copy of the Letter herewith sent proposing an Edition of the N. Testamt. in Arabick, which they would be glad to have your ^ being present when I red. that order desird me to give his humble Service to you ^ I dont enlarge to you ^ for fear of loosing the opportunity of sending this from

who wrote to me from Leyden ^ a native of Syria now in London. W. Negri ^ St. John Philips

P. S.

your answer directed to me at ye Middle Temple will come safe.

Revd. Sr. Yr. most humble Servt.
H. N.

To the Hon.ble Sr. Robt de Neville Barr.
Post Master Genl. at Leyden

Middle Temple. London
26. April 1720.

Dear Sr

Tho it be sometime since I have had the Honour of a Line from you, 'tis a pleasure to me to hear by our friend Mr. Hales that You enjoy Your health & that You continue Your affection to Old England, and the Protestant Interest all the World over. I am sure therefore you will joyn with me and all those who wish well to Great Britain & the Prot. Interest, in thanks to

to the wise Govr. of the World for Disposing the hearts of the King & the Prince of Wales here to a Reconciliation, wch. I hope is to continue as long as they live, but that the influence of it may extend to late Posterity: How long this has been in negotiation is a secret known to few, but the surprize of it to the Servants of both Courts has occasioned a Jubilee of Joy for ye present at St. James's, where People who had not seen, or shewn it may be comon Civility to another for 2. years past or more, now kiss and embrace each other as persons waked out of a Dream wherein they thought themselves as distant as the East is from the West Indies.

This is the 8th. day since Princess Anne was taken with the Scotch Pox, but she has a favourable sort, & is like to do well, which is another occasion of joy to those who love the Royal Family.

I am now by order of my Masters of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge to pray your assistance in the affair I am going to inform you of: A Proposal has been laid before them for printing the New Testament in Arabick to dispense gratis among the poor Christians in Palestine, India, Syria, Mesopotamia, Babylonia &c. where y[e] Language is generally understood, now tho' it may be done here or at either of our Universities yet those that know that any thing of this kind is done cheaper and better in ~~England~~ Holland than we can pretend to, are desirous that an Estimate be procured

from

from Amsterdam or Rotterdam or else where in Holland as you shall be advised, w.ch may be the charge of an Edition in a neat beautiful Character in 8.vo or 4.to of a thousand to 10. hund.d Copies, and that if there are two or 3. different Characters, Specimens of each be sent over on such Paper as the Estimate may be adapted to.

The Character in the Polyglott Bible is a beautiful character in the opinion of a learned Syrian Jacobite Damascen, now in London, but w.ch is too large a Character for this purpose: and perhaps it may be worth while to cast a letter on purpose for this service, by the person who undertakes it. All w.ch I recommended to your prudence to prepare and send over as soon as may be an Account of under Cover to

Dear Sr

Yor. most obed.t humble Serv.t

To Mr. Crownfield
Printer to y.e University of Camb.

Mid. Temple
28. April. 1720.

S.r

A Proposal has been made for printing the New Test. in Arabick after the Copy in the Polyglott Bible & several Charitable persons are disposed to encourage it, if it can be done on reasonable terms in a beautifull Character on a good Paper. The Rev.d Dr. Celestine Agapius Ockley being now in London has recommended y.e Types as what are

are very much esteem'd at Cambridge, I am therefore to desire you would send to me w.ch yr first conveniency a Specimen of the Arab. Types ~~Letter~~, which you have printed, and if they are not small, whether you would think it worth yr while to make a new font of a letter size that may bring the N. T. into an 8.vo vol. and what may be the charge of an impression of 4. thousand to 10. thousand Copies supposing the Number of sheets to be 60. in each Copy. Pray inform me likewise if you can whether the Types in wch the Polyglott was printed are still in being, & where they are, you will therein oblige S.r Yr.

To Mr. Hibert
at Hampstead

Mid. Temple
20. April. 1720.

Madam.

I have deferr'd sending ~~inform~~ the Society's Thanks to you in form as I now do for yr. last kind Benefaction of five Guineas to the Protestant Mission at the same time to the Indies till I could send ~~the~~ some token of their respect which I have herewith done in ~~the Packet~~ M. Osterwald's Excell.t Argument & Observations &c.a on the Holy Scriptures, which I hope will afford you as they have done to others, while ye Duty of the Ho. ~~Pleasure~~ for wch reason you are desired to accept of them by

Madam Yr. most Obliged
humble Servt
H. N.

Yr humble Servt
to command
Son & Daughter.

To the Revd Mr Rayner at Tiverton London 30. April. 17[illegible]

Revd Sr Mr Harbottle being not able to get passage ~~in the~~ for himself & goods in the Waggon of last Wednesday ~~has purposed~~ intends God willing to set out in that of next Wednesday to wait on the Trustees. &c. In the meantime I have herewith sent a Specimen of his hand writing, and assure you y[ou] I am

Revd Sr Yr most humble Servt
H. N.

To Mr Rayner at Tiverton
Revd Sr

Mid. Temple. May. 3. 1720.

The Bearer is Mr James Harbottle whom the Society have agreed to recommend to the Gent. at Tiverton for Master of their Charity School ~~and they hope~~ they will be glad to hear of his getting safe to you & answering your and their Expectation. The Society have presented Mr Harbottle with a packet of their book for the use of the Childn under his care. I shall be glad of any occasion to serve you being with great respect

Revd Sr Yr

My humble Service to the Revd Mr Bryan & Mr Neate.

Mr Harbottle goes out to Morrow in y[e] Exeter waggon to be there on Friday night the 13th Curt.

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To the Rev.d M.r Jos. Harrison
at Circucester Glos.

London. 5. May. 1720.

Rev.d S.r

The Society ~~have accepted~~ a-
reid y.r Letter accompanying a Copy of yr. Scriptural
Exposition of the Church Catechism with a kind offer
of 100. Copies of them in Quires for which I am
ordered to ~~desire you~~ give yr. their Thanks. And
Agreed to by the Com: 10. May. though they are provided with several Expositions on
the Church Catechism yet they are willing to
accept ~~of for the use of their Members of~~ your
kind ~~Present~~ proposal ~~of~~ of Presenting ~~them~~ 100. Copies ~~of it~~
~~Exposition on the same for the use of the~~ omitting
the Letter & Preface. Addrest agt. which there
are some objections:
which though ~~exacting~~ all that intimately knew ~~him~~ N. N.
for his Piety & Charity yet having the misfortune to
differ in his opinion from others as to our present happy Establishm.t
in the State ~~from him~~ it is thought a point of
prudence to avoid using the recommendation even of a
person whose name may bring the performance ~~into~~ it self under a
suspicion of favouring his principles in respect to Govern.t
~~though the performance it self has a quite contrary tendency~~
~~& fully~~ stands in need of no such recommendation.

The Preface Address in the III. & VII.th Pages towards the bottom has
some Expressions on our Liturgy which may perhaps be thought too Carnish ~~by those~~
~~who admire it~~ if not extravagant by those who have just esteem for it as a most excellt.
humane Composition & yet they cannot perhaps think that what has stood so many Alterations
since the Reformation particularly at the Restauration is not capable of Being
improved by Posterity, much less that it is inexhaustible a Treasury of Devotion
as the Bible is of Divinity.

I am desirous to thank you for the Specimen you have sent to me of yr.
method of singing the Psalms as an Instance of y.r care in
portioning the Sacred Hymns so as to render that part of Divine
Service more correspondent to the Subjects of Devotion
instituted in our Publick Liturgy. If you should at any time hereafter print it
I shd be glad to have it in my power to lay a Copy of the whole
before the Society, and you would thereby oblige S.r Yr.

To the Rev.d Mr. Lile Mid. Temple.
at Oxford 3. May. 1720.

Rev.d S.r

Your long residence at Aleppo has drawn upon you the trouble I am going to give you by order of the Society for Prom. Christian knowl. The enclosed will inform you what has been proposed to them, and they would be glad to have your opinion of the usefulness and practicableness of what is therein proposed wherein you will very much oblige them as well as learned Rev.d S.r

M.r Negri is a native of Damascus now in London, to whom directed over the first Post Office to me in the Middle Temple will come safe wherever he you come to London I shall be glad to see yo.r Comd.r

The favour of M.r Antes

S.r Tho. Lowther Bar.t Mid. Temple
C/o= Mess.rs Huygens & Hotham 3. May. 1720.
Banquiers a Amsterdam

Hon.d & Dear S.r I am very much obliged by yo.r favour of the 30.th of last Month from Brussels the intelligence of wch was very acceptable to M.r Lowther & yo.r other friends here to whom I communicated it, who all return their humble Service to you particularly S.r J. Philips & M.r Tolins. M.r Lowther is well & will write to you in a post or two. Change Alley is improv'd

improved in Stocks & Gaming so much as to allure many of the Quality to spend their time here ala mode de Quinquenpoix, Southsea Stock is now from 340. to 350. & in for by a strange fatality, though we danced at the Parisians last year, we are now dancing to the same Tune, and perhaps are not less timorsome in our contracts of the alley Tolerably a Gent. saying that he thinks Southsea would soon be up at 400. & another hearing him, said S^r. My Chariot stands here I'll present you with it the Horses and all & furniture if you'll secure me of 1/2 a Crown a day till Southsea is at 400. the Gent. took him up & rode home to Dinner in a fine Chariot to the surprize of his family. Stock is since risen to 350. & bids fair to rise to 400. or more.

I shall enquire after the Com. Pray^r book sent to D^r. la Croze. This goes under cover to S^r. Robt. De Neville Baronet Gent^e of Leyden a Gent. fond of English acquaintance, and worthy of being known to you: when you pass thro' Leyden he will shew you the civilities of the Town. The Gent. are about printing the N. Testam^t in Arabick, and have by their order wrote to him to signifie the Charge of such an undertaking from 4000. to 10000. Copies in Holl^d & to send over specimens of the finest Characters for such a purpose wh I mention because if you return soon to England he may perhaps give you the trouble of bringing them if they are too large to come by ye Post you may confer with him

him ab. it, & if ym return soon to Engd.
advise the Society therein. I heartily wish
ym a safe return & am

My humble Lin. Dear Sr. Yrs.
to Mr. Boecler

To Jt. Robt. De Neville. Mid. Temple
3. May. 1720.

Dear Sr.

I have taken the liberty to
cover the enclosed to ym for a ~~friend of~~ Member of our
Society, & a fine Gent. ~~who~~ is travelling from Paris to ~~Holl.~~
and have desir'd him to wait on ym
~~to Amsterdam~~ ~~through Holland, & have~~
~~afforded~~ gain of yr. civilities ~~him~~ in case ye does.
If the affair I wrote ab. this day slightly
meets with encouragemt. ~~of it~~ to ~~go on with~~
it in Holland ~~I cannot without~~ perhaps
my good Masters may indulge me with a
liberty of stepping ~~in Holland~~ to Solicite
the progress of it ~~in~~ which ~~case~~ I should be
not a little ~~pleased with it would~~ ~~with an~~
~~heartily glad of the~~ opportunity of serving
yr. Lords. ~~being~~ I am
D. r Sr.
Yr. most obed. t
humble Ser. t H. N.

B. Enclosed Mr. Boelmr
Ltr. to Mons. Schaat
Prof. de Langues Orientales
a Leyde.

To L.d Bp of Lichfield & Coventry

Mid. Temple

My Lord

7. May. 1720.

The Society will be very glad to be informd of your Lordships health being restablished & to be favourd with your opinion of the Proposal which Mr. Hastings lately left with y.r L.d.p concerning the most fullest ~~an Edition of~~ Edition of undertaking an ~~impression~~ Edition of the N. Test.t in Arabick. ~~I ordered~~ The Society would be well advisd ere they proceed in a matter of that importance. & have therefore ordered the S.d Proposal to be communicated to all the Bps who are Members of the Society, ~~in order~~ for wch reason ~~to do~~ I must request y.r L.d.p will be pleasd to return the Copy of the Proposal wch Mr. Hastings left ~~with~~ with y.r Lordship to

My Lord

Y.r most obed.t

humble Serv.t

H. N.

To the Rev.d Mr. Jos. Harrison
at Circester Glos.

Mid-Temple
10. May. 1720.

Rev.d Sr.

The Society received yr. Letter accompanying a Copy of yr. Scriptural Exposition of the Church Catechism for which I am ordered to send you their Thanks, as well as for your proposal of presenting Copies of it, in Lines to them, which will be thankfully accepted, to be disposed of among their Members. Give me leave only to observe that it was urged by those who some few expressions in the Preface & the Introduction to the Sacramental Devotion had been qualify'd, for fear of offending some might be prejudiced against so elaborate and useful a Performance; and if you could think it worth your while to compose a short General Preface to the whole I believe the Society would not decline to print it for the sake of avoiding the good that so plain & edifying an Exposition may do.

I am like wise to thank you for communicating a Specimen of your Method of singing Select Portions of the Psalms and the Tunes proper for them, and if ever you shd print an Accot. of it, I shd be glad to be able to lay a Copy of it before them, for their further consideration.

The Com: halfd of Copy wch is 2. leaves backward.

To Mr. Vaillant 62 Mid. Temple
Bookseller in the Strand 14. May. 1720.

Sr.

A Proposal has been made to my friends here to encourage an impression of the N. Test. in Arabick for the use of the poor Christians in Palestine, Judea, Mesopotamia &c. and they seem disposed to engage in it, if they find it may be certainly & usefull & practicable In order to wch I am to request you would procure from your Correspond.t at Amsterdam or Rotterdam printed on Specimen of the best Character which can be had there, and an estimate of the Charge of printing a Sheet of it, and of the whole N. Testam.t in 8.vo supposing there be from 4. to 10. thousand Copies printed. I believe it will be done better & cheaper in Holland than at either of our Universities, for wch reason you have this trouble from

Sr.

Yr. most humble Servt.
H. N.

Wt Charge you are at on this Accot. must be put to my Accot.

To the Revd Mr. Ayerst
at Dover Castle Canon Street.

Mid. Temple
14. May. 1720.

Revd Sr.

The Society have agreed to present his Excell: Fr. Gom: Br. Commission to buy as many of the Books of this Size as can be had for about 20. l. and Commission'd me to take care that 2. Doz. of them be of the best Edition that can be had in 8.vo for the Ambassadors own Apartmt. which will somewhat

diminish

diminish the number of the lesser sort, but this was thought a respect due to His Excell.cy and the Society could not exceed the value of 20. l. according their Rules without giveing Notice of it to all their absent Members wch in this case was not so proper; and if there I am promised that they shall be ready by this day sevnight or a day or two after if the motion of S.t Rob.t baggage will admit of it. For I would not take one of those I found in the Shop ready bound, because they were not bound well enough. They shall be sent to S.t Robert's House as you directed by

S.r Yr. most humble Serv.t
H. N.

Mid. Temple.
28. May. 1720.

To His Excell.cy
S.r Rob.t Sutton
His Majesties Embassador
Ordinary to the
Court of France.

S.r The Society for Promoting christian Knowledge desire Yr. Excell.cy's acceptance of a small Chest of French Common Prayer Books for the use of such as shall resort to Yr. Excell.cy's Chappel at Paris.

The Society were not a little pleased to embrace this opportunity of Expressing their respect to one who is so much entitled to it, the esteem of all men, though he were not possessed of the high Character he now wears. They will rejoyce to hear that the Blessing of GOD attends Yr. Excell.cy's Negotiations at the Court of France & particularly in Prot. Relig.n & that those who desire safe of true religion may always find in Yr. Excell.cy a Powerfull Patron & Refuge.

I am S.r Yr. Excell.cy's most humble & obedt Servt
H. N.

To the Rev.d W. Agent 64 Mid. Temple

28. May. 1720.

Rev.d S.r

I was very much indispos'd with a Pleurisie when you did me the honour to call on me. I thank God I have been able since to direct the stitching of the Fr. Com. Pray.r books to Rhode Island as Hir Excell.y W.m Chappel, & I doubt not may you will be pleas'd to present them with y.r Letter from our Society. There are in y.e Chest

24. large 8.vo Gilt Back.
24. large 12.mo Ditto.
134. Small 12.mo differently bound.
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I am very much disappointed, in y.e binding of them the Man to whose care I left them being obliged to be out of Town, left them to the care of a 3.d person who was not apprized of the direction I gave; but I hope the defect may be excused. I shall be glad to hear of y.r health & good success in y.e Service of Religion in the Station Good Providence has allotted you being

Rev.d & D.r S.r

Y.r most obed.t hum.le Ser.t

H. N.

To the Reverend Mr. Lisle
at Wadham College in Oxford

Hamstead 6th July 1720.

Revd. and Dear Sir

I cannot express to you the Grateful Sense the Society have of Your kind particular Answer to what they desired Your Advice in, concerning an Edition of the New Testament in Arabick; The Pains You have taken to Satisfy their Enquiries, and the Judiciousness that appears in every Line of Your Advice, has induced them to resolve to pursue this Christian Undertaking in the very Scrut You have advised, and His Grace the Arch Bishop who Vouchsafes to be a Member of the Society ~~last Week were pleased~~ is pleased to approve of every Step You have recommended, and earnestly presses, that no Time be lost in putting the whole Affair in Execution: Accordingly the Society last Week were pleased to direct, That You should be forthwith desired to procure from Your Friend at Aleppo the Correct Copy You mention. I being then in this Place had not the Happiness to be privy to that Order, but yesterday waiting upon the Society at London, I found a Letter had been wrote to You in my Name, desiring You would take the first Opportunity of writing to Your friend at Sabare. I am now by Order of the Society to add to that Request a Desire that you would be pleased to write to your Friend at Aleppo for a Copy of his Translation of the Psalms, in Hopes there may be time enough for the Publication of that likewise, and that a Copy of his Translation of the New Testament and Psalms should be sent, rather than the Originals for fear of Miscarriage, and that the Society will thankfully reimburse the Charge of transcribing them: It is left to your Discretion, whether you will for Expedition sake write by the Way of Leghorn, or Constantinople or otherwise, as you shall find most Practicable.

You will please to Signify to Your Learned Friend at Aleppo the Just Esteem the Society have for him, from the Amiable Character you have given of him, and his Noble Undertaking, and the Pleasure they have to see Providence Opening a Door to give Birth in the World to his Pious and Immense Labours for the Glory of God's Word, and the Edification of the Oriental Churches. When you are pleased to honour me with a Line, pray let me have your Thoughts of a respectful Application from the Society to the Excellent Patriarch of Antioch at Aleppo on this Occasion, to prevent his suspecting a Clandestine Design to obtrude upon the Churches under his Care Spurious Copies of the New Testament, and to assure him, that it is earnestly desired they may bear as much as possible conformable to his Sentiments, and those of the Reverend Clergy

Clergy of all Ranks under him; And that if he please to appoint any thing to be Inserted by Way of Preface under his Great Name ~~by Way of~~ Recommending the Edition Proposed, That it will most readily be complyed with: If you approve of this Suggestion, in what Language may he best be addressed, whether in English, Latin, Greek, or Arabick?

I am now to bewail to You my own great Concern, that I had not the Happiness of waiting on You, when You did me the Honour to call at my Chamber in the Temple; If I had known of Your being in London, I would have won the Favour of a Weeks Sickness extraordinary to have Enjoyed One Hours Conversation with You: I wish likewise that Mr. Negri could have had the same Happiness but I hope Good Providence may bring about another Occasion more Propitious to our Desires, when I may have the Honour personally to Assure You of the profound respect with which I am

Rev. Sir

Your most Obliged humble Servant

H. N.

P.S. What you subjoine about the Grecians from abroad to be Educated here, is a thing very much to be wished, but I fear the ill Conduct of the Last Attempt must be forgot by the Grecians before another can made.

Though I was in London Yesterday I am not yet Recovered of the Pleurisie, so as to venture to lie there, but Your Letters directed to me at the Middle Temple will come safe to me here.

To Monsieur le
Chevalier de Neufville Baronet
Maitre General des Postes
a Leiden

Middle Temple 12 July 1720

Having been for some Time confined to a Chamber in the Country for the Recovery of my Health of a Pleurisy, I have not been able to write to You till now, to request You would favour me with an Account of what Discoveries You have made in answer to the Enquiries I troubled You with, by Order of the Society for Promoting Christian knowledge, concerning Arabick Types, the Charge of Printing Arabick by the Sheet &c. in order to their Undertaking to Print the New Testament in Arabick to Disperse gratis among the poor Arabians. Sr. Tho. Lowther is gone into Lancashire before I had the Happiness of seeing him, but

But Mons.r Boucher, who travelled with him informs me of your care
care to Satisfy the Enquiries of the Society, and that you had made a great
Progress therein, of which I might soon Expect to hear from You. I am now by
Order of the Society to acquaint you, that they have sent to Aleppo for a Correct
Copy of the N.T. in Arabick, the Editions hitherto being found very faulty,
and this Copy as they are Informed being Prepared, under the Direction of the
present Patriarch of Antioch at Aleppo, they are assured by an English Clergy-
man who resided in Turkey as a Chaplain about 20 years, that it may easily be
obtained for this Purpose: But if you have any Antient Esteemed Copy with
You, that cant be had here, that can be either borrowed or bought to be compared
with the Copy when it comes over, the Society will be glad of Your Assistance in
procuring such Copy, and in the mean time I am to request You would be pleased to
procure, and send over a Specimen of the best Arabick types you can get either of
the Smaller Size, with or without Points or both: And that you would Signify
the Price that any good Printer with You either at Leyden, Utrecht, or Amsterdam
&c.a would undertake such a Work by the Sheet, the Society here being at the Charge
of a Corrector.

It would be a Singular favour if you would transmit an Answer to their
Enquiries by the 1.st Conveniency, because the Whole Affair stands still for want of
them, and we can go no further till we can have them by one Means or other. I
should be glad to have it in my Power to do you any Service here, being with all
possible Respect

Dear S.r

Your most Obliged
humble Servant
S.t N.

I thank you for your Civilities to
S.r Tho. Lowther and his Friend.
Mr. Hales is well, tho I have
not seen him lately.

To the Rev.d
S.r George Wheler
Prebendary at Durham

London. 19. July. 1720

Rev.d S.r
with ~~great~~ Satisfaction Y.r Letter of the 17.th of last
Month came to hand in due time, but it
having pleas'd GOD to visit me with a fit of
Sickness

by y^r Means I have been
sicken'd & obliged to retire into the
Country for the recovery of my health.
I am now at & have thereby been prevented
acknowledging that great favour till now.

The Society think themselves very much
oblig'd to you for y^r. kind remembrance
of them in y^r. Retirement, and
for the Share you have in promoting their Designs
not only by composing Religious Tracts but by
publishing them at y^r. own charge, and
though they are as you observe provided
with several Tracts on the same Subject
yet they will thankfully accept a
small Packet of y^r sacramental Treat
to dispose of occasionally
among their Members who
may be desirous of them for the
Rev^d. Author's Sake.

Y^r. Subscription is p^d. to Midsumr. 1719. inclusive.

I shall most readily obey y^r. Comands for
Cloaths for y^r. poor Girls whenever
you please to signify them to

Rev^d. S^r

Y^r.

P.S.

The Soc. have under consideration the
printing of the N. Test. in Arab. for ye use of
the Churches in Palestine, We expect among y^e
&c^a. of wch you will have a more particular
Acco^t. in a few days. S^r. & the Society
not but y^r. wch Synod will contribute with
their usual Generosity.

To the A. Bp of Cant. Wind. Temple

30. July. 1720.

My Lord

The Memorial to My Lord inclosed is by His R.H. direction turned into a Petition to the King wch his R.H. has promised to carry to Hanover & get His Majesty's direction thereon.

I am ~~ordered~~ humbly to lay before Y.G. the draught of what is ~~intended~~ proposed to ~~be presented~~ Y.G. ~~and desired~~ with a Petition, and ~~copy to send~~ the rough (to save the trouble of writing it over) has been amended by L. John Phillipps & W. Meller; ~~to have time at your leisure~~ all wch they desire may be submitted to Y.G. direction.

When Y.G. is pleased to return it I will immediately get a fair Copy and presume I shall be directed to get more hands to it than was to the ~~last~~ Memorial.

I am My Lord

My Lord I was to wait on Y.G. ~~on~~ last Wednesday Even: with a draught of the Memorial but the Porter telling me it was an unseasonable hour to trouble Y.G. I was obliged to copy it as it was to save the opportunity of presenting it on Thursday morn: wch I also hope Y.G. will excuse.

To the Rev.d
M.r Sam.l Lisle
at Wadham Col.
Oxford

Mid.e Temple
30.th July. 1720.

Rev.d S.r I receiv'd your very kind Letter of the 11.th Curr.t and having communicated it to the Society, they intirely agree in y.r opinion, and have directed me further to request, (wherein also his Grace of Cant.r is pleas'd to concurr with them,) that you would be pleas'd to write to y.r Friend at Aleppo for a Copy of the N. Test.t in Arabick as it is now used in Palestina &c.a the charge of wch will be thankfully defray'd by the Society, in such manner as you or y.r Fd shall prescribe.

I thank God I am recover'd to a good degree of health, and shall use my utmost endeavours to make the best use of it, by discharging the duties incumbent on me, among which I reckon the return I am to make for y.r great obligations you have laid on

My Duty to the Dean of Christ Church when you see his L.dp.

S.r Y.r most Obed.t humble Servt H. N.

If you have wrote already by way of Marseilles I suppose it may be time enough to write for a vulgar Copy when the Ships go hence.

To the A. Bp of Cant.
My L.

Mid. Temple
2. Aug. 1720.

I have ~~rec~~ the honour of y^r. Grace's Letter of Yesterday accompanying several Judicious Amendm^ts to the draught of a Petition which shall forthwith be copy'd accordingly, I am

My Lord
Y^r. Grace's most obliged
humble Servt. H.N.

To the Rev^d.
W^m. Willm Aysent
at Paris.

Mid: Temple
20. Aug. 1720.

Rev^d. S^r.

I thank God I am ~~return~~ recover'd of that violent sickness in wch you left me, and again apply my self to the pleasure of obeying the Comands of the Society. They have resum'd the consideration of the Proposal for Printing in order to raise Benefaction for carrying it on so expensive the N. Testam. in Arabick, and have resolv'd to publish ~~it with several~~ Extracts of such Letters as have been or shall be sent from Persons who may reasonably be allow'd to be the ~~proper~~ Judges of the Necessity & Utility of such an Undertaking. The ~~opinion~~ of S^r. Rob: Sutton ~~would very much de-~~ ~~confirm it~~

has been of great weight to determine the Society to engage in this affair, and if he would allow you to write such a Letter there as you could consent to publish, it might be of great Service in disposing other persons to encourage the Design.

What you wrote to Mr. Chamberlayne the 27th April last was as much to the purpose as could consist with the brevity you aimed at, but not being wrote with a view of being made publick you will easily consider where it may be improved, and because I believe you kept no Copy of what you then wrote, I have here subjoin'd a Copy; only what is said in the last clause tho' it be fact may if His Excell.cy pleases be omitted because there has been a later Edition of the same vulgar Greek Testament printed at Halle wch has been thankfully receiv'd by the Greeks, the Preface that gave offence being left out. And tis hop'd when Edition which was in 8.o London these Copies wch are in the Company's Library shall be dispos'd without that Preface they may be also well received & become usefull.

I shall be very glad to hear of y.r health and what hopes there may be of the increase of the Protestant Religion reviving in France, and that it pleases the Rulers of that

that Kingdom to command a cessation of the persecution of those that perhaps retain as good a sense of Religion as any of the strictest orders in the Monasterys.

You will excuse my writing like an Englishman if I say what wont bear mentioning in France except under the Protection of a British Embassador. I am

Rev.d S.r

Y.r most humble

To Charles Stanhope Esq.r
at Hanover.

Mid. Temple
27th Aug. 1720.

S.r

I received the enclosed by last Post from good S.r John Philipps with a desire that I would wait on you for an Answer as soon as it could be obtained; which I accordingly did, and found you had already received it to your satisfaction. S.r John has acquainted me with the Contents of it, so far at least as it relates to M.r Rowland Philipps may indeed Capt. Burgess in a Customhouse Smack cruizing between S.t David's Head & Swanzey, M.r Burgess intending to quit her at Michas, by reason of his ill state of Health. Now though his request came too late to find you at the Treasury if you think fit to move my Lord Sunderland for that Station to the Lords Comm.rs of the Treasury at their first Meeting next Month it may be soon enough to answer what is desired, and upon notice of it I will attend to Solicite their Resolution, and Y.r favour therein will very much oblige S.r John, (this being a near kinsman as well as

S.r Y.r most obed.t humble Serv.t

H. N.

To the Rev.d W.m Strong 74 London. 3. Sept.r 1720.
at your Lodgings.

Rev.d Sr I shall be very sorry if my giving
M.r Karfoot the Character I thought he deserv'd to S.r Humph.
may be prejudicial to yr. School, I'm sure I did
not intend it any more than it was intended
he was recommended to you, I did to hurt Boston School when
the Trustee at Boston
putting such a confidence upon it, nothing thinking nor
have the Trustee at Boston complain'd taken it ill that he left 'em
for his health, though they were loth to lose him abundantly
satisfy'd in his Service as it was interrupted as it was with
his frequent indispositions. The Poor man has his health
recover'd
by removing it seems but is in danger of wanting Bread, and yet
his property will suffer him to not complain of any
but his own choice.
occasion of it. what you promis'd in
behalf of the Trustee ye will be acknowledg'd has
been punctually complyd with, but his hopes
of recommending himself by his Industry & Skill to manage
a School so as to have other Scholars beside the Charity
because those who can pay for Scholing think it below them to send their
Child. has not answer'd the expectation, and he wants talent
for teaching School that it is done in other parts of the Kingdom without any difficulty to y
same School where Charity Child. are taught. And his wife's
Talent for teaching School has been in a manner useless.
This has put the Poor man upon the honest
shift of keeping his family by sending his Daughter to
seek what business she can get, & if where she can get it, &
it could be done with decency his wife might follow her
notwithstanding any prejudice that detains her. If therefore S.r Humphry
will encourage give him an Encouragem.t much preferable to
what he now has, I hope you will be so far from opposing
his acceptance of it, that you will rather promote it.

And

and trust Providence for finding some single Person capable of ~~being~~ needing him in the School ~~who~~ as may live very comfortably on the allowance you make.

I had sooner ~~upon the subject~~ answered y^r. Lett^r. ab^t. this ~~matter~~ but I ~~delay'd~~ it in hopes to have seen S^r. Humph^s. to know his ~~pleasure~~ intention ~~therein~~ but I have ~~not~~ ~~had the opportunity of waiting on him~~ ~~& have not been able to see him~~ which yet I have not been able to do this. I have call'd 2: or 3: times at his Lodging for that purpose. I don't write to M^r. Kartoot because I ~~desire~~ would have no hand in ~~persuading~~ perswading him one way or other, but leave him to his own choice in an Affair of such importance to himself & family. ~~especially when it~~ ~~and if the good people at Yeovil don't persuade~~ ~~them to stay~~ ~~I shall not tell you what~~ ~~where~~ ~~friend~~ ~~Bridle~~ ~~that is~~ a Clergy man a better living than that which he enjoys out of regard to his merit, and the incompetency of what he has to support himself & family, ~~leave it~~ ~~to you whether I believe~~ I should be equally positive and leave him ~~to follow~~ his own inclination for refusing or complying with the offer of such a Patron. ~~made light of it.~~

And as much as I esteem S^r. Humph^s. & his generous intentions for erecting a Charity School where there never was one, and where perhaps there is no place in England that wants one more, I shall be very glad if you can make y^r. encouragements to M^r. Kartoot's ~~attempt~~ stay prevail over the offer'd for his removal, ~~I cannot~~ ~~do~~. I cannot in y^r. letter and if he does, leave you I am sure S^r. Humph^s. will not desire him to do it till you have had due notice to provide y^r. selves with another Master. I am Dear S^r. Y^rs.

To Col. Lane
at Portmahon

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Mid. Temple
3. Sep.r 1720.

Dear S.r I cant forbear embracing this opportunity to Salute you with a Line and to acknow=ledge the Rec.t of yr. favour of the 20.th of April by Mr. Anchmooty, wch I have communicated to the Society & they ordered me to acq.t the Archbp of Cant. with that part of it relating to Books &c.a for the ^ with intention I believe hope that if the Govern.t will not supply you and I hope the Society will assist you out of their narrow fund.

I have since waited on His Grace with Mr. Anchmooty & he very kindly told us that this nothing had been yet done if Mr. Anchmooty wd. draw up a Memorial of your wants in that & other respects relating to the interest of Religion he would re=commend it to the Lords Justices to come to as favorable a Resolution thereon as they could, ^ even tho' that must be reported to the King for his approbation before it could be put in execution. This I hope Mr. Anchmooty is preparing to get ready to lay before His Grace, and I shall readily give any assistance I can to accompany him on to solicite the accomplishment of what may be desired.

Don Emanuel has assisted the Bearer Joseph Tomaris to obtain an order from the Govern.t relating to the Scandalous usage of some Minorcans by the English Consul of Oran, & afterwards by the Consul of Algier, wch I hope may put them in a way of obtaining Justice.

The Society are now happily engag'd in ~~Printing~~ Impressing proposing the means of publishing an Edition of the N. Testam.t in Arabick ~~at~~ for y.e use of the Poor Christians in Palestine, Syria, Mesopotamia, &c.a where the Scriptures being in MSS cannot be purchased but at a very great price & and consequently ~~the poor~~ all degrees of people for y.e most part are without them. When this Effected I hope it would not be difficult to indue a them to engage in something like it for Minorca upon the condition mentioned in my ~~last~~ letter of 28.th Dec.r last.

I am heartily sorry to understand that y.r Pub. Library is so much diminished in y.r absence and have herewith sent a Copy of the Rules by wch the Parochl. Libraries here are kept. Yours being a lending Library for y.e benefit of the Laity as well as Clergy will require some other Rules to be made for avoiding Embezlem.ts And now I mention this I must acq.t you that above 50. of these Parochl. Libraries have been ~~erected~~ set up by Pious Charities in this Kingdom & more are preparing according to the little Fund that remains for it. The Qualifications of a Living to receive such a Library are, that they do not exceed 30. l. p.r an.m certain value exclusive of contingencys to the Incumbent, and that the Min.r his Patron or Parishion.rs find means of raising 5. l. ~~to be exp.d~~ towards carrying on the same design elsewhere, by wch they may be entituled to a Case of Books worth as you see above 20. Guineas. Now if you think fit to raise 5. l. ~~for such a use I'll~~ to be entituled to it I'll use all my Interest in the managers of this Charity to procure one for you to be fix'd rather in some Place where the benefit of y.r Pub. Library can't be enjoyd; and as the Min.r here gives a bond of 30. l. to his Diocesan to make good all embezzlem.ts a Copy of wch I have also enclosed, so if the like were observ'd with you, and the bond given by the Chaplain to the Lo.d

Comend. in Chief of Minorca for y time being: to make good all embezlemts in case any shall be found at his death or removal upon a visitation of such person or persons as shall be appointed from time to time to inspect the same by the Gov. ~~in Chief~~ or Comand. in Chief, it might be a means to secure y^m to Posterity.

I shall be always glad to hear of yo. health and Prosperity & shall never grudge the expence of yo. Letters over Land, ~~when, perhaps, after the danger of their passing through an infected Country is over~~ you please to honour me with 'em, being

Yo. most obed. humble Ser.
H. N.

W. Chamberlayne & all yo. f. Bff. well.

Fds of our Society are well.

I have herewith covered some printed Letters from y Protestant Missionaries in the E. Indies wch I believe ~~you may~~ have not yet been sent to you.

To Gor. Collet
at St. James's Street

Wind. Temple
Wednesdy. 7. Sept. 1720.

Honored S.

The Society have so great a Sense of your favour to the Protestant Missionaries to the East Indies that they have appointed deputed some of their Members to wait on you with their congratulations for y. late return to England and thanks for all yo. good offices to them abroad, and these Gent. have agreed to wait on you next Friday Morning about 9. of the Clock in hopes that time may not be inconvenient to you. ~~If it be~~ if it be inconvenient, and you please

please to signify it by the Bearer. I will give notice to them to attend at the time you shall appoint, & will be ready for yr. conveniency.

Being Sir Yr. most obliged humble Servt. H. N.

Yesterday I sent some printed papers concerning the unhappy Letters lately published which I intended personally to deliver you, & that way the reason a letter did not arrive to your hands, and the Messenger acquainting me you was not at home, they were telling me you was not at home, they were accompany them.

To Wm. Dr. Percival at Charlton in Kent.

Mid. Temple 8 Sept. 1720.

Wm. Dr. the Comrs. for relieving Poor Proselytes were Yesterday informd by Mr. Chamberlayne of yr. Lordships great goodness in offering to lend them 100. l. towds entituling them to a benefitial Subscription in the South Sea for the benefit of the Proselytes; They are very thankfull to yr. Lp. for the kind offer, but upon due consideration of the matter they were of opinion it wd not be for the Honour of the Society to engage in such a way of raising money for them, and therefore to avoid any Subscribed with a view of serving the Poor, but Two Members viz. Mr. Hays and

and W. Hastings have agreed to take
one of the hundred pounds, in their own names:
& I am ordered Bambley to offer it to Y. D.
by Mary. du Cr. the refusal
if you may be
pleased to take off the other hundred pounds
and to desire
if you are disposed to accept it, the
Terms I propose are known that you
would be pleased to signify Y. pleasure
herein to W. Chamberlayne or me with
Y. first convenience, that measures
may be taken accordingly.

Your D. will easily judge of the
reason that the Society choose not to
engage themselves, in an adventure
of this nature unless they
were sure of more than barely an
for private person can give directions according
to present exigences & serve themselves
when bodies of men must have two or 3. days, to
assemble & perhaps in the mean while loose
what they propose to get, wch is a hazard
they thought not consistent with prudence
to run with the money entrusted to their care
with especially directed at this juncture. Your
D. commands to me at the Middle Temple
will come late to

My Lord
Y. most obed
hum. Serv.
H. W.

I thank Y. D. for promising
W. Dering's subscription to Mons.
Montfaucon's Antiquities in English, wch so far
satisfies me to a 7th Copy. that will be devoted to
Library in N. England.

Before sealing I ~~happened~~ have the good fortune of seeing D. Marquis du Cadre & communicating the above Proposal who desires me to offer yr. Lordship the refusal of the whole 100. l. or of ½ and if you choose the latter he will take the other half on his own acct.

To the Revd. Dr. Colbatch
at Cambridge
Revd. Sr.

Mid. Temple
10. Sept. 1720.

Dr. Ockley ~~the~~ Arabick & the Professorship of Oriental Languages in yr. University being ~~Dead~~, vacant by the Death of D. Ockley, I shd. be oblig'd to you for yr. advice ~~whether it be consistent with~~ who are the Candidates to succeed him, & whether by the Rules of the Foundation the Learned M. Negri Native of Damascus can succeed ~~him~~ if Interest be ~~not~~ timely made for him. D. Sykes I am told ~~was~~ a ~~Foreigner~~ this Foreigner enjoy'd the same Professorship. It gives room to hope this Gent. may not be dis=qualify'd on that account, ~~by his not being bred at either of our Universities~~ And if his worth were known I'm perswaded Electors would be so well satisfy'd ~~he would be made the University would be~~ in the Honour that would accrue to the University by chusing so able a Man ~~as this for that purpose~~ that it would not be difficult to obtain their favour to him.

Pray who are the Electors? When will be the Election? and what are the Ludgement belonging to it? If this signification does not come too late Your answ. will oblige

Revd. Sr. Yr. most humble Servt

H. N.

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To the Hon.ble
Gr. Collet.
Hon.d S.r

Mid: Temple
12. Sept.r 1720.

You are so much a friend to ~~the~~ under-
-takings for the Service of Religion that I am
directed ~~ordered~~ by the Society ~~for Prom. Xtian~~ Knowledge
humbly request
to ~~pray~~, y.r advice upon the Proposal enclosed,
will
I beg ~~by~~ you ~~to~~ excuse the sully'dness of ~~it~~ being
the Copy ~~and~~ and give me leave to desire the
when I have y.r Honour to wait on you ~~in order~~
return of it to communicate it to other persons
~~that are well skill'd in the Eastern parts of the~~
~~world~~ capable of advising thereon.

I am S.r

To the Rev.d
D.r Bridges
Rev.d S.r

Mid: Temple
12. Sept.r 1720.

The enclosed Proposal for Printing
the N. Testam.t in Arabick having been
communicated to the Society for Promot. Xtian
Knowledge I am ordered humbly to request
~~of importance~~
y.r advice thereon, as a matter you are
best able to judge of, by y.r ~~residence~~ ~~living~~
several years at Aleppo. ~~And if I know~~
~~when you~~ Your commands thereon directed to me
at the Middle Temple near the First Fruits Office
will come safe
to
Rev.d S.r Y.r

P.S. If you please to return the Proposal to me with your commands or advice thereon as you shall find other persons advise us.

~~If you would give me leave to communicate it to the Author of this Copy enclosed it would enable me to~~
~~request~~ also

To S.r Rob.t De Neville
at Leyden.

Mid: Temple
13. Sept.r 1720.

S.r I rec.d your very acceptable favour of the 3.d Curr. N.S. and having communicated the same to the Society I am ordered to desire you would accept their thanks for it, and for yr. kind present of a Copy of Erpenius's N. Test. in Arabick, & for all y.r trouble you have had in treating with a Printer about the charge of reprinting it: but they have not yet been able to come to a final Resolution thereon for want of answers to some other Enquiries wch I gave my good friend the trouble of as the charge of a New Font of Types with the points & another of Types without points and that both these Estimates to be adapted to the different Sizes, with Specimens of them to be transmitted hither. The Character in wch Erpenius's Edition is printed, is not esteem'd by Mr. Leigh the Syrian we have here as fit for our purpose & for short in respect to Beauty to some Specimens he has seen made in Holland, and the enquiring of them out being a matter of Trouble wch could not in any reason be expected from a Person of yr. engagem.t the Society have desir'd the Bearer Mr. Hastings a worthy Member of their Body to take that trouble upon him during his stay in Holland, I will be very thankfull for your advice to him where he may be particularly informed in this matter according to the Instructions he carrys with him.

I have not yet rec.d the Copy of a Syriac N. Test. & Dictionary you mention wch I shall with pleasure lay before the Society as soon as they come to my hands and

and also get Mr. Negri's opinion of them, ~~as well as the Society's direction~~

The Bearer is my particular friend and the civilities you shew to him will be esteem'd as a great additional obligation upon Y. Yr. most obed. humb. Serv't H. W.

I beg leave to cover my Letter for him to you during his Stay in Holl. ~~if~~ it will in lower ~~not~~ draw you into no ~~any~~ expense nor ~~more~~ trouble than that of ~~the letter~~ Cover & forwarding my Letter to him. ~~the Enclosed or he will have direction~~

To Hen. Hastings Esq:

Mid. Temple
13. Sept. 1720.

Dear S. I have enclosed my ~~Letter~~ to Mr. Rob. De Nevil's ~~Letter~~ open that you may be ~~fully~~ apprized of the Contents of it. And as to instructions you have been ~~from the beginning~~ so intent upon ~~pro~~senting the Noble Under: taking of an Edit. of the N. Test. in Arab. ever since it was propos'd here that I can suggest nothing wherein you can serve the Society there, but what you already know. Nevertheless, to divert your Memory lest a hurry of Business shd make you forget what has past; I have enclosed such Heads as Mr. Negri desires you would observe in yr. Enquiries after ~~a Specimen of~~ Arabick Types that may be fit for the undertaking, to which I am to add that you would be pleas'd to send over Specimens of the Characters of the Alphabets ~~each~~ with & without points ~~of the Upper Line~~, as near in Beauty to the Specimen ~~the Society have~~ as may be ~~which you will be pleas'd to bring with you at yr.~~ Reflections Corrections in Arabick & Latin. return, it being ~~a~~ Copies put into yr hands by Mr. Philipps ~~a proper Letter for your~~ a pattern for this occasion besides those mention'd by Mr. Negri.

~~Mr Hogin~~. More Types are to be bought by the pound
the smaller they are the dearer they will be
and ~~every~~ any experienced Printer will inform you how
many pound weight may furnish a compleat font for
this Service, but till the Society are satisfy'd in the Cha=
=racter you can only treat about the expence upon
supposition that ~~it may be~~ the Specimens you send over may be
approv'd by them; this I know will cost
you some application, but there is nothing of this nature
can be done well without it, and I need no argum.t
to push you to forward a matter ~~wherein~~ to wch your
own inclinations so earnestly lead you: Give me leave
only to say that ~~I know not~~ the sooner your favours me
after your arrival in Holland
with an Answ.r to this the more practicable it will be for
enable you to try at ~~your pleasure~~ absolutely with ~~that~~ some
the Society to ~~signify their pleasure therein & for your~~
Artificer before you return to England ~~with full & satisfactory~~
~~may be able to~~
~~account of it if Mr Hogin himself had gone over~~; and
whatever charge you are at in procuring the Specimens
abovementioned will thankfully be reimbursed by the
Society. I heartily wish you a good ~~journey~~ voyage
& safe return with success to all y.r affairs being

Dear.t Y.r most humble Serv.t

H. N.

To W. Dolins at Hackney

27. Feb.y 1719/20

D.r S.r as I remember you some time since desired me to recommend a good Serv.t to you, the Bearer Diago is an honest Black whom his late Master W.m Woodbridge set a great value on for his fidelity, and as his Master happened to dy in England he is advis'd to claim y.e advantage of the Laws of Eng.d not to return to Barbados where he may be liable to be bought & sold as a comon Slave, and will be more out of y.e way of instruction as a Christian wch he desires to enjoy; I find W.m Bryan who has the most right to him as the friend and Director of his late Masters Affairs will be perswaded to let him take his liberty while he may claim it. And Diago himself proposes to return to his Master's family when his young master now in Westmin.r School shall be of age to want a Serv.t

If you be still unprovided I am satisfy'd I cant expect to meet with an honester Serv.t to recommend.

As to the Affair you wrote last to me about it is still under consideration & y.r Fr.d would be glad to have S.r Charles Cooke's sentiments upon it. What is proposed being to save Expence to the Nation, and the Govern.t seem now fully convinced of it that the charge of a Cruising Squadron has already cost 'em more than would have ransomed the Captives 6. times over. So the design of this application is only to put the Parliam.t upon thinking of measures, and to shew that London has not less concern for those that suffer Slavery in their Service than other trading Towns.

S.r Wm Dane who deliver'd the Bristol Petition tells me it has been proposed in conversation to insert a Clause in the Felon Bill depending to enable the King to exchange incorrigible Felons (that fear neither the Gallows nor transportation abroad) for his honest Subjects in Slavery by wch means the Ransom Price will be saved & the Nation will get rid of Rogues in a manner that they wont be able to return again as they may from the Plantations.

Diago proposes to hire himself out by the year for footman's wages.

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